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Traders vote to scrap BID scheme

TRADERS who voted against the continuation of a scheme which would have brought more than £650,000 into Bridgend are being blamed for the demise of the town centre, a councillor has said.

Bridgend's business improvement district (BID) – called CF31 after the area's postcode – was started three years ago with the aim of making the town centre a better place to do business.

But after businesses voted against its second term in a ballot on September 19, the BID has ended all its services and ceased to operate on September 30. The results saw 39 votes for and 42 against.

Bridgend town councillor Steven Bletsoe, who runs a sweet shop in Nolton Street, said since the result there had been an outpouring of bile on social media towards those who voted against the continuation of the BID.

The deputy mayor, who sits on the town council's regeneration committee, said: "It's been a really dark time for traders in the town – they were asked to give a democratic opinion, they've given it based on their experience and their opinion, and now they're being blamed for the demise of the town centre."

The ballot saw each separate property occupied or owned by a business ratepayer attracting a vote.

While Cllr Bletose's shop, which he runs with his wife, Freya, is in a street which no longer formed part of the revised BID boundary, he voted against the continuation of the initiative in a town council vote.

Although four town councillors voted against the BID, the majority voted for it in respect of its two buildings – 8 Wyndham Street and Carnegie House.

Cllr Bletsoe said: "Our vote [against] was insignificant because the town council voted eight to four for the 'yes' vote on the two properties we are responsible for.

"A number of councillors voiced concerns – I was one of them. It involves public money being spent on the levy. I've been called obnoxious, vile, and a traitorous councillor who should be sacked on social media. People have called for a boycott of my shop and I've seen friends of mine in town stand up for themselves and be ripped apart – it was a democratic vote."

He added: "The levy may only have been £200 year but if businesses weren't willing to pay that then it tells me a lot – they felt they weren't getting a return on their investment and they were also seeing other businesses not paying it."

Read the full story on page four.

Getting in the Elvis spirit

THERE is something fireproof about Porthcawl's Elvis Festival.

Last year, the weekend was blessed with beautiful weather, and a highlight for visitors was a leisurely stroll in the sunshine, or perhaps pausing on the promenade to listen to various ETAs (Elvis Tribute Artists) as they sang from the balcony of the Grand Pavilion.

It's fair to say that any ETAs venturing onto the balcony this weekend would have been blown down towards the harbour – but it mattered not.

As usual, there was a full programme of entertainment inside the Pavilion, but the festival concept has now been embraced by some many venues in the town that, on average, you can find an event every 50 yards or so.

At some venues, the Hi Tide Inn, for instance, you will find perhaps five or six ETAs peforming in different rooms of marquees.

This year, one of the biggest marquees was the BBC Radio Wales one, from where Owen Money did a live broadcast all around Wales.

When not broadcasting live, the tent was still packed with revellers, and the same was true of pubs, clubs and restaurants around the town.

At a time of year when the town could expect to be quiet (it certainly would have been given the weekend's weather) instead it was packed with visitors!

Photograph (above) by Glyn Evans. See page 7 for more pictures.

Chance to view LDP

THE preferred location of new schools, housing developments and employment areas in Bridgend has been published by the local authority as it continues work on the county's replacement local development plan (LDP).

Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) has said around 7,500 homes will need to be built in the county over the coming years to meet the predicted housing demand.A series of consultation events will be held at the following venues:

• A portable cabin at the Jennings Building, Porthcawl, October 7, 12pm-6pm and October 8, 10am-1pm;

• Pyle Library October 14, 2pm-6pm and October 15, 10am–1pm.

More on this in next weeks' GEM.

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'Working together is the key'

AS group coordinator of Highlight Park Community Neighbourhood Watch, I need to address Cllr Lis Burnett's comments in last week's GEM about the refurbishment of our very small and neglected children's park that serves 835 houses in our 'community'.

Our residents expressed concerns about the park on many occasions and were told the previous (Labour) administration refused to upgrade the park on the basis there were other parks needing upgrading more.

Please don't say our currently elected Conservative ward councillors have not been working hard trying to redress that decision for us since they were elected – because they have! Our Dyfan Ward councillors have persevered and kept our park in the limelight during discussions with the council.

They attend our meetings regularly and assist our residents in many different causes, taking our issues forward for us.

I would add that Alun Cairns MP also works hard for Highlight Park, Barry and the Vale too, supporting various groups as requested and bringing Welsh issues and financial regeneration opportunities to the Vale through Central Cabinet links.

Elected members of all parties should work together for the benefit of Vale residents. Perhaps if the majority of residents in the Highlight Park community had felt satisfied they were supported by their Labour councillors, they would still be our elected ward councillors – this speaks for itself!

The constant backbiting technique so prevalent in politics today does not help. You might win some more fans, but you will also lose more because people are intelligent enough to see what is being said, by whom, for what reason – and is it fair?

Working together in cooperation is the key and reaps benefits for everyone.

Ada Flinn, Barry.

Heartfelt thanks to Thomas Cook staff

I WOULD like to express my gratitude to those who work in my local Thomas Cook at a really tough time for them.

Whenever I have gone into the branch, you have been friendly and welcoming.

I booked a holiday with you for next month during a very difficult time for me; you all made me feel so much better.

So no matter what happens, I would like to thank you for your hard work and dedication – it has always been appreciated.

Nicola Clynes, Barry.

Why stop at 16?

SO the Assembly wants to reduce the voting age to 16.

This is disgraceful! Why are 15 year olds being discriminated against in this way? Their stake in the future is even greater. And then there are the 14 year olds; why are they not being empowered and inspired?

R Bradshaw, Cowbridge.

'Five Mile Lane breaks all the rules'

IAN Perry is right that the new Five Mile Lane highway breaks the rules on providing for pedestrians and cyclists (GEM letters, September 26).

The Vale Council, as agent for the Welsh Government, kept overall control so the design-and-build contract is not wholly to blame.

Members of the 50+ Forum's transport group asked for a good walking and cycling route from Weycock Cross to the Hawking Centre.

Also, the FoE group appeared at the public compulsory purchase inquiry to argue not only for a walk/cycleway for the whole length to Sycamore Cross on the A48, but also for safe crossing points.

The consultants had been told to plan for 60mph traffic, so proposed ghost islands only, with no mini-roundabout and not even a central island.

They accepted the ghost island design is less safe, particularly for agricultural vehicles and family groups. However, officials had told them to give priority to the 60mph design, while the Inspector took it as government policy that is not to be questioned.

The only concession was to meet the official three-metre width standard for the walk/cycleway to the Hawking Centre, but not as Ian Perry wants with a verge (as on the Port Road) to separate from scarily fast traffic.

Putting the walkway in the field, across the existing hedge and ditch, was out of consideration because a further CPO would be needed and the inquiry deferred.

FoE's greatest demand was for a route that avoided the archaeological site, which has turned out to be a specially ancient site, rich with burial places and prehistoric remains. The system conspired to ignore this, so a unique part of our heritage that could have been developed as a major tourist site was largely trashed.

Max Wallis, FoE, Barry & Vale.

A message from Llantwit Major Town Mayor

THANK you to all who supported my Sunday Lunch on September 15 at St Athan Golf Club in aid of my charities, Valeplus, Llantwit Major Stroke Support Group and Woody's Lodge.

It was a very successful lunch and a sum of £538 was raised for my charities.

My thanks go to St Athan Golf Club for allowing the lunch to take place and also to Leanne from the Golf Club and Frances and Nia from the Town Hall for all their hard work.

Cllr Bob Gant, Llantwit Major Town Mayor

Congratulations to Sam Davies Ward

CONGRATULATIONS to the 23-bedded Sam Davies older person's acute rehabilitation ward for not only providing a high standard of care to its patients, but also supporting their unpaid carers who give endlessly of their time to look after a loved one.

The Sam Davies Ward has become the first service organisation to gain the Carer Friendly Silver Award from the Carers Trust South East Wales.

Sister Linda Edwards and staff recognise the importance of the role of carers in enabling the elderly to return home safely and prevent readmittance to hospital.

Carers' meetings have been held to offer support and provide valuable contact details of local organisations. They have provided carers with the opportunity to meet others in a similar situation and allowed for an exchange of experiences.

The Ward also has a designated carers' room which has been furnished in conjunction with Barry and District Soroptimists, with tea making facilities, toiletries and even a bed if carers should need to stay overnight when visiting a relative.

Barry and District Soroptimists, who have forged close links with the ward over a number of years, are delighted that the Sam Davies Ward has been recognised for their work in this area.

It is a testament to the vision of the staff and their commitment to both patients and carers that they have received this Silver Award; well done!

Norma Reynolds, Sully

Not a good deal for bowls clubs

I AM writing to express my gratitude to Cllr Kathryn McCaffer for explaining, in last week's GEM, what a good thing it is that the council has done by giving bowls clubs control of the facilities they use.

Until her explanation most of us felt we'd had the rug pulled from under our feet, followed by sand being kicked in our faces.

I'm not sure what help the council has been in 'seeking sponsors and organising events to generating funds, appointing maintenance companies and hiring out facilities for private use', but I haven't spoken to anyone who is aware of receiving council help in those areas.

Jim Davies, Barry.

Recycling... again

WITH further reference to the above issue, details of which, certainly in respect of the seeming folly of the new/upcoming arrangements, have been well highlighted of late in correspondence in these columns, I totally agree.

I fear too that more waste is now likely to be consigned to landfill than previously, obviously an unintended consequence.

We too have always been meticulous in our recycling of waste materials, having hitherto purchased 100 per cent recyclable bags for weekly collection of co-mingled waste, which seemed to me to be the most efficient method for its collection, but which the initial advice from the Vale Council indicated was no longer acceptable.

In the above matter and subsequently in regard to the requirements to separate recyclable waste, I communicated directly with the council upon receipt of their advice.

It probably will not be a surprise to fellow readers to learn that I have not received a detailed response from them in respect thereof, save one simple letter by way of an acknowledgement.

The Vale Council are not alone in their proposals for collection of separated recyclable material, which, they advised, was in accordance with Wales Government requirements – doubtless enough said!

Andrew Marchant, Llanmaes

Conservative was not first gay Mayor

I WAS very disappointed that The GEM decided to give such prominence to our MP in their coverage of Barry Pride in last week's issue.

He has consistently voted to disadvantage the LGBTQ+ community and is far from being a champion of equality.

The article also noted that Cllr Leighton Rowlands is the first gay mayor of the Vale. This is not true. Cllr Margaret Alexander was mayor from 2005 to 2006.

I hope that in future they will focus on the event itself and celebrate the Pride movement, not support a hypocritical photo opportunity.

Barry Pride was such a successful event and I would like to thank the organisers who helped our community make such a big statement in support of equality.

Tracy Martel, Barry.

GEM NOTE: *We asked Mr Cairns to respond to the above. He said: "Barry welcomed its first Pride event which it was a pleasure to attend and support along with my friend and colleague Cllr Leighton Rowlands. In the aftermath of the event, many raised the way I voted on the Same-Sex Marriage legislation in 2013. I have previously stated that I regret my vote, as I have since seen the positive difference that it has made to the lives of many. I recognise the significant role of Pride events to the LGBT+ community and it was fantastic to see the level of support shown by the people of Barry."*

Congratulations on Cowbridge runs

IT was a huge privilege to take part in Cowbridge 10k and 6k organised by local volunteers supporting Cancer Research UK.

I want to take this opportunity to highlight the fantastic work by Anne Birt, Simon Jones and their teams of volunteers, under trying conditions to raise funds for a worthy charity.

Unlike other runs, all those involved are volunteers. They give up their time and pull resources from wherever they can find them.

This is one of my favourite runs, with its community spirit. Huge congratulations to all involved.

Inevitably hiccups occur; however a large sum of money has been raised for Cancer Research UK.

Alun Cairns MP

HIGH TIDE TIMES

The high tides listed in this week's Gem are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tides times will vary. For instance, in Barry the high point will be 20-25 minutes later.

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Date	Time	Height (metres)
03/10/2019	10.22	9.9
03/10/2019	22.43	9.6
04/10/2019	10.59	9.2
04/10/2019	23.25	8.8
05/10/2019	11.47	8.5
05/10/2019		
06/10/2019	00.17	8.0
06/10/2019	12.51	7.9
07/10/2019	01.29	7.5
07/10/2019	14.19	7.4
08/10/2019	03.08	7.4
08/10/2019	15.52	7.7
09/10/2019	04.32	7.9
09/10/2019	16.56	8.2
10/10/2019	05.22	8.4
10/10/2019	17.41	8.8

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Business student Daniel is already up and running

FORMER Bridgend College student Daniel Ralph has picked up an award for being 'Business Student of the Year' in the Bridgend Business Forum Awards.

Daniel studied the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative Media Production and with the support of entrepreneurship officer Ruth Rowe set up his own business, Blue Bench Media.

He uses his creative media skills to make 360-degree tours of buildings and has been working in collaboration with the College's Cyfleoedd department to help students visualise their potential future workplace.

He is currently working on footage for Bridgend Fire Station and will shortly be moving on to the Vale Resort.

Daniel said: "The college has supported me throughout and I've learnt a lot about running my own business."

He is now off to the University of Wales Trinity St David in Swansea to study film and television and plans to keep Blue Bench Media going as a side project for the meantime.

A Bridgend College spokesman said: "We're so proud of Daniel and wish him every success for the future."

Electric transport hub on the cards

PLANS have been submitted for an electric transport hub in Bridgend which would store and charge electric buses.

The plans by Cenin Renewables are for a one-acre site at Parc Stormy in Stormy Down. The sustainable transport hub would include 16 parking spaces to store and charge electric buses, 16 HGV electric charging stations, 17 private vehicle parking spaces for staff, two private vehicle electric charging stations, and a hub container office.

In its planning statement, Cenin Renewables said Parc Stormy was ideally located for the hub, being between three of the key strategic regeneration growth areas – Porthcawl, Valleys Gateway and Bridgend – with excellent links to the A48 and M4 while also being less than 10 miles from Port Talbot.

It highlights the environmental benefits that could be achieved by replacing the county's diesel bus fleet with electric buses, and said its proposals would enable the county to operate electric buses in line with others like Newport and Cardiff.

It adds: "The benefit of renewable electricity generated on-site will be unique to Bridgend from the site's diverse range of generation technologies, enabling a fully sustainable electric bus fleet with constant charging availability."

Cenin Renewables, which owns the former airfield Parc Stormy, has developed the site to include anaerobic digestion and concrete facilities, wind turbines, and a solar farm.

The company says future development phases could involve increasing the capacity of electric vehicles and charging points to, not only provide for zero-carbon buses, but also for other transport vehicles such as vans and taxis.

It said that the existing bus depot at Brynmenyn is not in a realistic position to upgrade its existing infrastructure to include electric charging stations, nor provide a new electric fleet with clean energy.

The company's planning statement adds: "It is understood that the existing public transport fleet operator operates approximately 35 vehicles: 28 buses from the existing depot at Brynmenyn and an additional six vehicles from Port Talbot.

"This proposed development would provide the public transport fleet operator with a new sustainable transportation hub that would seek to achieve the future aims of Bridgend Borough County Council (BCBC) and Welsh Government by enabling a suitable zero-carbon bus scheme."

It adds that with the transition of the county bus depot to Parc Stormy, the land occupied by the existing bus depot could be released back to the market for redevelopment.

Merthyr Mawr Community Council has said more information is needed regarding the application, saying in a letter to BCBC the effect on local residents of large vehicles arriving at the site in the early hours and possibly late at night had not been considered.

Meanwhile, archaeologists have said while there is a low chance the work would uncover any previously unknown archaeological remains, due to prehistoric and Roman remains having previously been found in the area, they might be disturbed.

Liz Bradfield, LDR

Choir entertain in Devon

COR Meibion Maesteg ar Cylch choir headed to Taunton in Somerset and Honition in Devon on September 20 for its two-day tour.

Both concerts were held to raise funds for West Country Health Education and Research Enterprise (WHERE).

Huw Morgan, the choir's musical director arranged a varied programme for both concerts starting with traditional Welsh pieces including 'Rachie' and 'Tydi a Roddaist' with its wonderful 'Amen' end.

Baritone David Maybury entertained the audience with two songs and Kevan Lloyd, another baritone from the choir also sang.

The audience were also entertained by 12-year-old Carys Morgan who sang two pieces one from *The Little Mermaid* and finally *The Lion King*.

The choir brought the concert to a close with items from *Les Miserables*. The choir has been invited back for next year.

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Welsh Government proposes four week waiting time target for eating disorders

AN ambitious four week waiting time target for eating disorder treatment across child and adult services has been proposed by the Welsh Government, opening the prospect of huge improvements in early intervention for these serious mental illnesses.

With rapid treatment much more likely to lead to fast and sustainable recovery these targets, if met, will make a huge difference to eating disorder sufferers in Wales.

The announcement by Welsh Health Minister Vaughan Gething has been welcomed by the UK eating disorder charity Beat, but the charity has called for accelerated implementation and full funding in order for the measures to have maximum benefit for those affected.

Among other proposals announced were a prioritisation of early detection of eating disorders and more input from patients and their families in the development of services. The Government now plans to invest around £700,000 into eating disorder services this year, in order to support health boards to deliver improvements.

Andrew Radford of Beat said: "We welcome the announcement of extra provision for Welsh eating disorder services, but there are still questions remaining as to whether there will be enough extra funding to match the ambition. The review identifies a postcode lottery in the provision and quality of treatment, and it is crucial that adequate provision for desperately needed frontline services is made.

"Families and parents are key to recovery; however, the review confirms that they are an underused resource in Wales. It's crucial that their potential to be an integral part of the strategy is fully recognised.'

The review, led by Dr Jacinta Tan, consultant psychiatrist for the Aneurin Bevan University Health Board, was developed with close engagement and input from patients and carers across the country. Dr Tan said: "The vision contained in the review was created together with patients and families and places them squarely at the heart of the model. I am delighted that the Welsh Government has accepted its recommendations and look forward to the transformation of services in Wales, which will make us world leaders in eating disorder services."

Bethan Sayed, Welsh Assembly Member and chair of the Cross-Party Group on Eating Disorders said: "The progress made towards better eating disorder service provision is extremely encouraging, and I'd like to thank Dr Tan and her team for their tireless work on this crucial review.

"However, we need to ensure that these changes are assigned viable funding, and that allocation of services are fairly distributed across Wales."

Head shave raises nearly £1,500 for charity

BRIDGEND'S Pat Lake has donated £1,400 to Velindre Hospital, Cardiff.

Mrs Lake raised the money by having her hair shaved off at the Riverside Tavern, Bridgend, surrounded by family and many friends.

She has also donated £300 to Macmillan Cancer Care – all in the memory of her granddaughter, Kirstie, who lost her life fighting cancer.

Mrs Lake is pictured presenting the cheque to Velindre Hospital's fundraising officer, Amy Pemketh.

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Bridgend retirement scheme first to receive platinum award

Tenants are joined by guests in the sensory garden at Glanogwr House to celebrate their RNIB Cymru Visibly Better platinum award.

TENANTS living at Hafod's Glanogwr House in Bridgend can now live independently for longer after renovation works improved the building for those living with sight loss.

Glanogwr House is the first of its kind, a managed retirement scheme for over 55s in the county borough,to achieve a platinum award, the highest level of RNIB's Visibly Better accreditation.

Scheme manager Gail Stokes and John Higgins, maintenance surveyor at Hafod have focused on different aspects of accessibility for people with sight loss. Improvements to the inside of the building have included new automated lighting and updated signage throughout ensuring it is bilingual and in braille. Walls have also been painted with contrasting colours so objects and features stand out easily to those who are partially sighted.

Outside, a sensory garden provides a rich therapeutic experience; warm-to-touch handrails have been fitted and edging has been painted. At an award presentation, tenants were joined by representatives from Hafod, RNIB Cymru, councillors and politicians to celebrate their achievement and have a tour of the building.

RNIB Cymru's director Ansley Workman said: "Hafod are deserving recipients of our highest accolade. The changes they've made to Glanogwr House will hugely benefit residents, making the building a safer and easier place for them to live."

Judges decide on whether state pension ruling is lawful

JUDGES at the Royal Court of Justice in London are expected to announce their ruling in a case about women's state pensions today (October 3).

Campaigners from BackTo60 - representing 3.8million women - brought a legal case against the government after it equalised state pensions for both men and women.

Some women, born in the 1950s, claim the move has left them in financial hardship as the government made the changes with little or no warning meaning they couldn't alter their retirement plans.

Women from all across Wales will gather at the Senedd today (October 3) to hear the court's ruling, which is expected at 10am.

Judges are set to make a decision on whether the government's move was lawful.

Kay Clarke set up the 1950s Women of Wales and Beyond group to campaign on behalf of the nearly 400,000 women in the country who have been affected by the changes.

She said: "These women have been forced to wait up to six years longer with little or no notice to the age at which they are allowed to claim the state pension. They took out a contract with the government at the start of their working lives, which has now been broken."

According to Ms Clarke, the United Nations Special Rapporteur, Professor Philip Alston wrote a scathing report about the situation.

She explained: "He wrote: 'The impact of the changes to pensionable age is such as to severely penalise those who happen to be on the cusp of retirement and who had well-founded expectations of entering the next phase of their lives, rather than being plunged back into a workforce for which many of them were ill-prepared and to which they could not reasonably have been expected to adjust with no notice.'"

Talking about today's expected ruling, Ms Clarke added: "The most vulnerable section of society, elderly women, have been treated appallingly and now this, we hope, will give us back our dignity, our self worth and our lives."

Traders vote to scrap BID scheme

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He accused Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) which has the legal responsibility for collecting the BID levy of not chasing the non-paying businesses.

He said: "BCBC has publicly said it's 100 per cent supportive of the BID which is a traders-led initiative – yet they've refused to chase bad debt. If the collection agent doesn't collect 100 per cent of the levy, then the business plan is unworkable.

"The BID operating company said the coming five-year term would bring in £600,000 in continued investment into the town but businesses know if they don't pay, they don't get chased. I know of companies in the town centre that haven't paid from year one and when they get a reminder, they staple them to the wall and laugh at them – if you can't guarantee a level of income, you can't have a business plan."

He added: "I've seen a lot of guff they had a 92 per cent collection rate, but twice a year we had the opportunity to ask the BID manager questions at the town council and he said it was more like 80 per cent, and diminishing."

Cllr Bletsoe criticised the popular Roots Festival event which the BID had organised, saying it had led to Bridgend businesses effectively paying for traders to come in from outside the county to the event, adding a main music show had taken place in the evening when the majority of shops were shut.

He also criticised an agreement which BCBC signed a few weeks ago which details the services it currently delivers to ensure that services offered by the BID are additional to what is already delivered.

He said: "For the whole three-year period there was no baseline agreement in place between the BID operating company and its dominant partner in the relationship, BCBC. This BID did not fail because four town councillors voted against it."

BCBC's cabinet member for education Charles Smith said he was disappointed by the vote. He said: "It will be seen by the private sector and the public sector funding bodies as a vote of no confidence in the town. All we can do as a council is to try and talk to the traders who are interested in the BID and hope they don't lose faith in the town."

A council spokesman said during its existence the BID had developed a proven track record of attracting and staging "hugely successful events", boosting the retail economy, and giving traders a direct say in what takes place in the town centre.

He said: "We are extremely disappointed to see that this will not be continuing. While collection rates for the BID levy were very high, a small minority of traders struggled to pay it during the early stages of the initiative. Bridgend BID were not keen for legal action to be taken as it was felt that this would add further pressure to businesses who may already be struggling financially.

"With regard to the baseline agreement, the council can confirm that all of the services outlined within the agreement were fully undertaken throughout the three years of the BID term."

Liz Bradfield, LDR

'Exemplary and wonderful' foster carer picks up top accolade

GRAHAM Clifford was presented with The Fostering Network in Wales' inaugural President's Award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to foster care.

Graham, along with his partner Rose, have been foster carers with Bridgend Council for over two decades, during which time they have cared for 11 children and young people of all ages from a variety of backgrounds and with a range of needs. They are currently looking after two siblings who have lived with them since 2008, and another child who came to stay with them this September.

Graham has been heavily involved in the work of The Fostering Network for many years, recently becoming a foster carer ambassador for the charity, which has allowed him to represent foster carers from across Wales for the National Fostering Framework, Welsh Government and Cardiff University.

Graham also contributed to a Men Who Care book, challenging perceptions about male foster carers, and uses his role as a school governor to ensure issues facing looked after children are at the forefront of education.

Colin Turner, director of The Fostering Network in Wales, said: "Graham consistently goes out of his way to speak up on behalf of children and young people and he and Rose have made a huge difference in the lives of the children that they have fostered. He is also passionate about helping fostering be the very best it can for all involved. He has supported our work at The Fostering Network for over 10 years, and regularly advocates on behalf of his fellow foster carers in Wales and is an integral part of the fostering community."

Jo Lloyd-Jones, fostering team manager from Bridgend County Borough Council, said: "Graham and Rose are a wonderful couple who provide a secure and nurturing home environment for their young people. They support the young people as individuals, encourage them to pursue their interests and enable them to reach their full academic potential. The couple are strong and positive advocates and have actively fought for equality of outcome for their fostered children."

Darren Harman-Page, vice-president of The Fostering Network, said: "Foster carers like Graham do something extraordinary on behalf of our society, changing the futures of young people. There is an ongoing need for more foster families across Wales and Graham is an inspiration to others who might be thinking about fostering. What makes Graham exceptional is the extent to which he gets involved in the bigger picture of fostering, striving to bring improvements so that everyone has a better experience of foster care."

At least 550 new foster families are needed in Wales to provide stable, secure and caring homes for fostered children, according to figures calculated by The Fostering Network.

Graham Clifford and partner Rose with their well-earned award.

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Fresh appeal to find missing man

POLICE in Maesteg issued a fresh appeal for information as they continue to try to find missing man Keith Price.

Mr Price, aged 64, was last seen at around 10am on Tuesday, August 13.

He is diabetic and potentially vulnerable.

In a personal message aimed at Mr Price, his family said: "Keith we all love you and are concerned for you."

Anyone who sees Mr Price or has information on his whereabouts should call police on 101 quoting 1900299243.

All change at St John's Church!

Andrew Singer presenting the cheque to the Rector, Canon Philip Masson.

A CHEQUE for £10,202 was presented to the Rector at St John's Church on behalf of the summer fair committee at a ceremony in the schoolroom on September 26.

On the same evening, Jill White stepped down as secretary and Andrew Singer stepped down as chairman.

Jonathan and Karen Lewis 'volunteered' to be chairman and secretary respectively, and their offer was accepted.

The date of the 2020 fair was set for Saturday, July 4.

The Rector thanked everyone for their hard work in providing such a good community event and for the money raised for the parish.

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Lady bowlers boost Stroke Club funds

PORTHCAWL Stroke Club has again been one of the benefactors of the Masonic Ladies Bowls annual coffee morning.

The ladies raised £400 for the society and many of those women are also members of the Sker WI, in Nottage and work tirelessly for charities within the community.There was a cake stall, floral arrangements, plants and books and an abundance of raffle prizes. The cheque presentation was made by Bowls captain Jean Downes and secretary Wendy Williams to Barbara Matthews at the Albert Edward Prince of Wales Court Home, where the Porthcawl Stroke Club hold their weekly meetings.

Chairman Keith Duggan and Mary Duggan expressed their gratitude for the gift, which helps towards tackling isolation for stroke survivors. Anyone interested in joining Porthcawl Stroke Club can contact Mr and Mrs Duggan on 01656 77337.

Golf day raises £36,000 for hospital charity

TEAM members at one of Wales' leading factories have teed off for the 12th year raising over £36,000 in aid of their chosen charity, the Princess of Wales Hospital.

Staff from Sony UK Technology Centre took to the green at the Celtic Manor's Montgomery Course for the charity event. Throughout the day, those who joined included supporters of the Pencoed facility, suppliers and third-party manufacturing clients, along with local businesspeople, and stars of the sporting world, making up 25 teams in total.

Golfers enjoyed on-course activities throughout the day along with a gourmet barbecue. In the evening, there was an opportunity to bid on auction items and purchase raffle tickets for prizes donated by businesses Sony UK TEC works alongside throughout the year. The auction proved a huge success, with people taking home prizes ranging from high-end audio products to Sony television systems to donated gifts from several local sporting clubs.

Ian Prescott, compliance manager said: "The Princess of Wales Hospital has played an absolutely integral role in the treatment of children throughout local communities, so we are proud to be able to support them once again. We would like to thank the Celtic Manor for their support in enabling this event to go ahead. It is our privilege to have built up a strong relationship with Princess of Wales Hospital and we look forward supporting them in the years to come."

Alongside the work that has been done for the children's ward in the hospital, the manufacturing facility has also completed projects for the Special Care Baby Unit such as the renovation of the family room and waiting rooms. So far over £100,000 has been raised for the hospital with fundraising efforts, including charity football days, half marathons, bake sales and annual golf days. Staff from the Pencoed facility have also taken part in a gruelling 300-mile cycle for children battling life threatening illnesses.

With the money raised the children's ward has received invaluable medical equipment, including three Vapotherm Precision Flow Systems and an AccuVein machine.

Ongoing efforts include a larger project that will see work undertaken on the SCBU family room and the Paediatric Assessment Unit (PAU). Sony UK TEC plans to hold a number of other events and initiatives annually to continue raising funds for its chosen charity.

Lyndsey Jenkins

Showing support for World Cup squad

ST Hilary telephone box has been decorated to support Wales in the Rugby World Cup.

Villagers are invited to delve into the dressing up box inside the kiosk, take a selfie or photo and send it to info@sthilary.org.uk or post it to St Hilary community on Facebook.

The image will then be hung in the gallery in the box alongside that of Wayne Pivac, the incoming Welsh coach who recently visited the box to give it the thumbs up.

The box is full of information with details of the current squad and fixtures.

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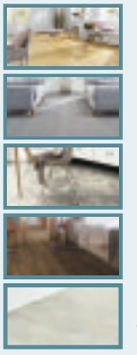

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Valeways walks

ON Sunday, October 6 at 2pm, Gileston and St Athan (4.2 miles), starting at Gileston beach car park CF62 4HX.

On Tuesday, October 8 at 10am, Crwydro: Ar Lan Y Mor, maes parcio Bron y Mor, Y Cnap, Y Barri.

On Wednesday, October 9 at 10.30am, the Cosmeston Coffee Shop Strollers meet outside the visitor centre, Cosmeston Country Park.

Also on October 9 at 2.30pm, the Llantwit Major Coffee Shop Strollers meet at Llantwit Town Hall.

Tractor Run at Ogmore

THE Ogmore Castle vintage tractor run will take place on Sunday, October 6 from the castle field at 10am, by kind permission of Robert Williams and family, CF32 0QP.

The tractor run will be in support of two charities: Macmillan Cancer support and the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution in the memory of Adam Llewellyn, a local farmer and contractor who recently died at work.

All are welcome to come and support the event for these two worthwhile charities. Further information on 01656 654440.

On at Sully Cinema

THE next screening at Sully Community Cinema at the Old School will be Rocketman, starring Taron Egerton at 7pm on Wednesday, October 9; tickets £4.

The 2019 biographical musical film is based on the life of musician Sir Elton John and is directed by Dexter Fletcher

Stroke Club benefits from bowlers' coffee morning

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There was a cake stall, floral arrangements, plants and books. There was also a patchwork cushion made by Pam Wilde and an abundance of raffle prizes.

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Chairman Keith Duggan and Mary Duggan expressed their gratitude for the gift, which helps towards tackling isolation for stroke survivors.

If anyone is interested in joining Porthcawl Stroke Club, they should contact Mr and Mrs Duggan on 01656 77337.

Gas canister reminder from recycling centres

RESIDENTS in Bridgend are being urged to take their empty gas canisters left over from the summer camping season to the county borough's community recycling centres.

Last year several small fires broke out at their Kier depot in Tondu because gas canisters were being thrown away with other materials, which are then compressed into balls for recycling.

Cllr Hywel Williams, Bridgend County Borough Council's deputy leader said: "Because empty cooking gas canisters contain traces of propane or butane, this creates an extremely dangerous combination if they end up with recyclable materials that get compressed at the depot; or if they are put in bin bags that get compressed in the refuse trucks.

"The safest way to dispose of gas canisters is to take them to the community recycling centres in Maesteg, Tythegston and Brynmenyn."

The sites are open daily from 9am until 4pm from October 1 until March 31, apart from Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

For more information visit www.bridgend.gov.uk/recycle.

An invitation to meet author

A BOOK signing by Bridgend-born Colin Scott, author of *Red, Cream and a Touch of Grey,* will take place on Saturday, October 19 between 2pm and 4pm at MIB Models, Unit 2, The Highwayman Business Park, Castle View, Bridgend, CF31 1NJ (01656 665511).

Colin will sign copies of the updated new edition of the definitive history of the Western Welsh bus company, once with a major depot in Bridgend.

By order of the Peaky Blinders, you've been summoned

GANGSTERS donning 1920 and 1930s gear will be arriving in Cowbridge later this month as the town hosts a Peaky Blinders event.

St Louis Express Swing Band will keep crowds entertained with sounds from the 1930s up to the 60s at the event, taking place at the Town Hall on October 19.

The event, inspired by the hit BBC drama, will be raising money for the town's Reindeer Parade and promoting the Town Hall as a venue.

Howard Wright, one of the organisers, told the GEM: "The dress code will be 1920s and 1930s Peaky Blinder.

"The event has been organised by members of our community working with support from our town council to support our community and our fantastic Town Hall."

He said: "The event is getting great support from local businesses which have donated some great prizes for the raffle on the night."

Peaky Blinders is a TV drama series set in Birmingham and follows the exploits of the Shelby crime family in the aftermath of World War One.

Tickets for the event, which starts at 7pm and ends at 11.30pm, are available from The Vale of Glamorgan Inn, from the Town Hall or by emailing howardpwright@gmail.com.

"Come along and have a great night dancing, with all profits going to support the Reindeer Parade," Mr Wright added.

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Businesswoman's quest for love on national TV

A BUSINESSWOMAN from Llantwit Major is hoping to find Mr Right as she appears on BBC Two's dating show Love in the Countryside next week.

Erin Hayes, aged 22, had little time for romance having started her own business, Hayes Podiatry, after graduating from Cardiff Metropolitan University with a first-class degree honours.

She explained: "As a busy single businesswoman, I was left with little time to go on dates and meet people.

"Any spare time I had would be spent working or advertising my business. I had given up until one evening I came across BBC Two's Love in the Countryside, a dating show which follows seven rural singletons looking for a partner to share their rural lives with."

She said: "Each of the singletons had created an online dating profile and after having a look through, there was one person in particular who caught my eye, so I sent in my application in the hope of securing a date."

"It sounded perfect – I needed a helping hand finding love due to my busy work schedule and I absolutely love the countryside and animals – especially goats."

Ms Hayes added: "I was over the moon when I found out I had been chosen as one of the six girls to go on a speed date, yet a little apprehensive. I hadn't dated in a long time."

She teased: "The country lad in question then chose three girls to spend a bit more time with… did I find Love in the Countryside? I guess you'll have to tune in."

Love in the Countryside, hosted by Sarah Cox, airs on Tuesday, October 8, at 9pm on BBC Two.

Erin, left, with her favourite animals.

Stormy weather doesn't stop the Elvis festival fans from enjoying their weekend in Porthcawl

WHAT new thing can you find to say about Porthcawl's Elvis Festival, now that is has been running for 15 years?

Well, it is pretty difficult, which is why we've opted for a picture page here.

This year's festival had to cope with strong winds all weekend and occasion torrential downpours which had been running for cover.

However, the number of venues which were offering entertainment featuring hundreds of Elvis Tribute Artists meant that it was possible to stay undercover during the worst of the weather and still have a great time at what has become the biggest Elvis Festival in the world.

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Richard Matthams, Rheolwr Cynllunio Datblygu.

Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004
The Environmental Assessment of Plans and Programmes (Wales) Regulations 2004
The Town and Country Planning (Local Development Plan) (Wales) Regulations 2005
(Regulation 15)
Notice of Pre-deposit Public Consultation for a Replacement Local Development Plan (2018 – 2033)

Bridgend County Borough Council has prepared pre-deposit proposals documents for the above plan. The Replacement Local Development Plan (LDP) will, upon adoption, replace the current development plan and be the basis for decisions on land use planning for Bridgend County Borough.

The pre-deposit proposals documents outline the Authority's vision, strategic options, preferred strategy and key policies, and include key background information and an initial sustainability appraisal report (which includes the environmental report).

The Preferred Strategy and background documents are available to view on the Council's website.

Copies are also available for inspection during normal opening hours at the Council Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend and all public libraries in the County Borough during their normal opening hours, details of which can either be obtained from the Council's website, or by contacting the relevant library.
The closing date for the submission of comments on the Bridgend LDP Preferred Strategy is 5pm on 8th November 2019.

Please submit any comments on this document to us in writing by email or post (using the standard Comment Form available online) as follows:
Visit https://www.bridgend.gov.uk/ Email a Copy of the Consultation Form to LDP@bridgend.gov.uk
Post a Copy of the Comment Form to **Development Planning, Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB**

Please note that this consultation relates to issues and topics discussed in the Preferred Strategy and is not an opportunity to make detailed comments on individual Candidate Sites. All comments should relate to the questions included at the end of each Section of the Preferred Strategy, which are designed to assist with your representation.

Representations which are properly made, and duly submitted within the specified consultation period, will be acknowledged and reported in an appropriate manner to Council for its consideration.

Representations may be accompanied by a request to be notified of the next stage of the LDP and/or that the LDP has been submitted to the Welsh Assembly Government for independent examination and/or of the adoption of the plan.

The Authority is only required to consider representations made in accordance with this notice. Representations made at the current pre-deposit stage will not be considered by the Inspector appointed to carry out the Independent Examination. There will be a further opportunity for representations to be made at the deposit stage and these representations will be considered at the examination.
Further information on the LDP process and relevant background documents are available on the Council's web site at www.bridgend.gov.uk/planning or **Telephone the Development Planning Team on 01656 643169 for further information.**

Richard Matthams, *Development Planning Manager.*

Success for Wick Group of Artists' autumn exhibition

Some of the artwork being showcased at the autumn exhibition.

WICK Group of Artists this year held an autumn exhibition as part of a festival of art and craft events across the Vale, supported by Cowbridge Community College.

A spokesman said: "It was good to be part of this wider festival, although as it turned out to be the last lovely, warm weekend of the summer visitor numbers and sales were down somewhat on previous years."

The group, includes artists who attend the Wednesday art class in Wick as well as the Thursday group, worked together to put on the exhibition.

This year there were several new artists and about 18 in total exhibited.

Paintings varied from being small, very detailed pieces, to much larger, some oil, pastel and watercolour as well as acrylic and pencil.

Wick Village Hall was filled with more than 80 beautifully displayed paintings and guests were able to watch several artists getting on with their paintings.

The spokesman added: "It was good to see some of our regular visitors as well as new faces, and to see everyone enjoying the event, catching up with friends and even buying a picture or two. "About 100 people visited over the two days and all proceeds of our admission fee and a percentage of other sales, means we can give a useful donation to both the village hall and the local church.

Thank you to all who supported us."

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'Walk to School, improve your health and save the planet'

A GENERATION ago, 70 per cent of children walked to school. Now, it's less than half.

The Living Streets charity is looking to reverse this trend with their Walk to School campaign this October for primary and secondary school children.

Walking to school has many clear benefits, from improved attentiveness in the classroom, through to less traffic and pollution on our roads.

During morning peak traffic times, one in five cars on the road are taking children to school and two in five parents of primary school children are worried about pollution levels around their children's schools.

Ogmore MP Chris Elmore said: "There are so many reasons to take part in Walk to School – from improving our children's physical and mental health through daily exercise, to doing our bit to reduce carbon emissions to help protect our health and our planet.

"We have all read about the dangers posed by the 'climate emergency' and should remember that small steps like this really can make a big difference. The benefits are clear, and I'd urge mums and dads across Ogmore to get involved and Walk to School this October."

What's on at the theatre?

Spanish Lies in Bridgend

TICKETS are now on sale for Phoenix Theatre's latest production of of Frank Vickery's comedy *Spanish Lies* on October 11 and 12, when once again proceeds will support The Sandville.

Hoping to revive their flagging marriage and celebrate 25 years together, Dougie takes Lorna back to their honeymoon hotel in Majorca and we eavesdrop on earlier decisions with the knowledge of what happens later...

Tickets are available from The Phoenix Ticket Line on 01656 783647 or 07890546311 or the Grand Pavilion box office on 01656 815995 or www.grandpavilion.co.uk.

Welsh Dragons in modern classic

TAKING Flight Theatre Company will be taking a family show *You've Got Dragons* to theatres across the UK this autumn, a delightful tale for young children, their families and carers in an intergenerational show featuring creative captioning, British Sign Language and audio description.

The show is suitable for young children, schools and families, and is fully accessible to those with a D/deaf, hard of hearing, blind or visually impaired member.

The show will take place at Blaengarw Workman's Hall on October 28.

Call 01656 815995 or visit www.awen-wales.com/blaengarw-workmens-hallBlaengarw Workmens Hall and Salisbury Playhouse.

AM pledges support as future of popular nature reserve hangs in the balance

AM Suzy Davies with Jamie Wallis at Kenfig Nature Reserve.

REGIONAL AM Suzy Davies is meeting campaigners worried about the future of the Kenfig Nature Reserve to pledge her full support.

Welsh Conservative Mrs Davies has already met Cllr Charles Smith who is Bridgend County Borough Council's (BCBC) cabinet member dealing with the hand-over of the lease on the reserve to Kenfig Corporation which owns it. She has also tried to contact Corporation chairman Cllr Richard Granville and written to their offices to ask for a meeting to discuss its future, but has had no reply.

She said: "As you might expect, the local and wider community are very anxious about what will happen to this very valuable and important area of dunes. It is one of the largest dune systems in the whole of Europe and for the past 25 years has been under the care of BCBC. The council, however, has cut the number of rangers over the years and feels it does not have the resources or the expertise to move the reserve forward.

"It has decided therefore not to renew the lease at the end of this year but it has also tried to help the corporation understand the enormity of the task ahead of them in time to make the right decision about the future management of the dunes.

"The corporation's silence and unwillingness to respond to any overtures from me or constituents is a mistake. The resulting vacuum allows for all manner of speculation and concerns about the corporation's capacity to deal with finding appropriate managers for this globally important site. I urge them to speak up and reassure residents.

"In view of the total lack of information, I have contacted Natural Resources Wales and Cadw to see if they have heard from the Corporation seeking advice on what expertise they need to be looking for."

Mrs Davies is meeting with campaigners this week. She has been a frequent visitor to the reserve over many years and has been back several times in the past few weeks. She was accompanied the last time by Jamie Wallis who is supporting the campaign to protect the future of this site.

She said: "The Kenfig reserve is a jewel in our crown locally and although that phrase is much over-used, in this case it is very accurate.

"Kenfig is not only an important nature reserve, it is also an archaeological site as it includes the remains of Kenfig Castle so has links back to mediaeval times."

You're only two feet away from a good walk – look down!

WITH autumn upon us, members of Bridgend mblers have published their latest walks programme covering October to March.

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The Tuesday walk group have a programme including a nine-mile walk to Henrhyd Falls.

On alternative Wednesdays, there are five-mile walks such as the coastal walk in Llantwit Major and on alternative Thursdays, there are three to four-mile strolls, including one around Parc Slip.

Anyone interested in joining Bridgend Ramblers should visit www.bridgendramblers.co.uk

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Choir to hold gala concert

TICKETS for the Bridgend Male Voicen Choir's 59th annual gala concert are now available online from www.bridgendmalechoir.co.uk.

This year's concert will be hosted by Beverley Humphreys and will feature the Welsh tenor Richard Allen and Oldcastle Primary School choir.

The evening's programme will feature a variety of music including familiar Welsh favourites.

The venue will be the Sony Theatre, Bridgend College on Friday, October 11 at 7pm; tickets £10 from Porters Estate Agents, choir members or from Gareth Reese on on 07773 170373.

Choir rehearsals take place every Thursday from 7.30pm at Oldcastle Primary School, South Street, Bridgend CF31 3ED.

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Hundreds raised as The GEM hosts Macmillan coffee morning

HORDES of hungry people headed to the Glamorgan GEM's Cowbridge offices recently as staff hosted a Macmillan Coffee Morning.

Some £235 was raised for the cancer charity in just two hours with guests coming and going all morning.

A whole host of homemade treats – including lemon drizzle cake, brownies, Victoria sponge and millionaires' shortbread – were served up with plenty of tea and coffee.

Guests included GEM readers, staff family members, representatives from local groups and politicians' aides.

Jan Irving, the GEM's general manager, said: "This was our first time hosting a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan, and it could not have gone any better.

"We all had a wonderful time and it was nice to see so many people coming along to support our coffee morning, which in turn will help people battling with cancer.

"I would like to thank everyone who baked the delicious treats and the guests who donated generously to sample them."

Staff at The GEM also thanked Barry-based Jones Dairies Ltd for donating all of the milk.

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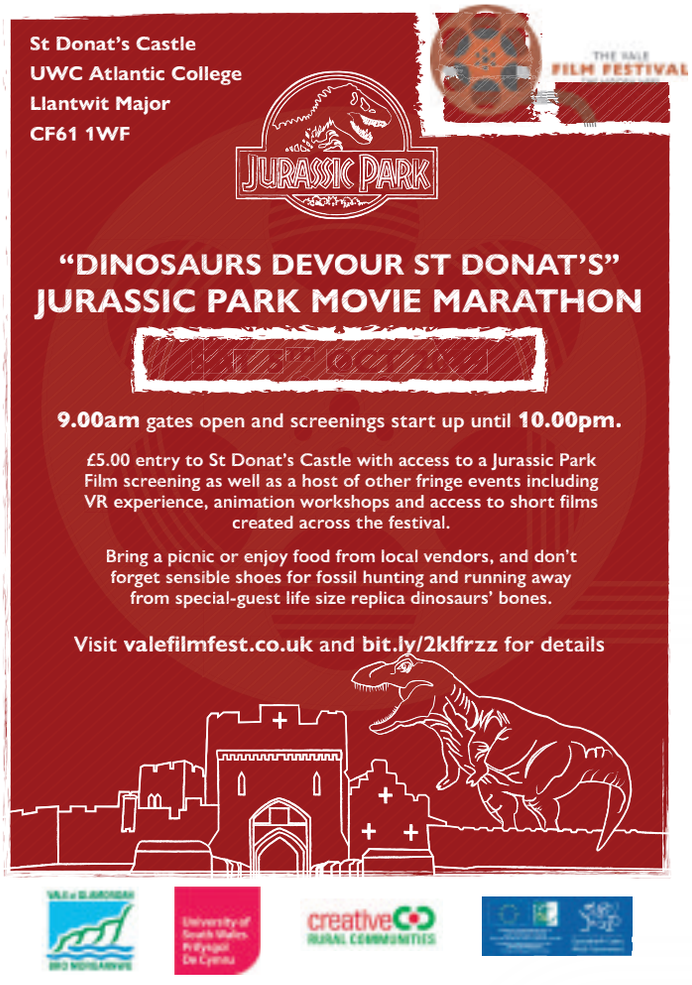
Photos of GEM staff and visitors taken by Mike Wilcock.



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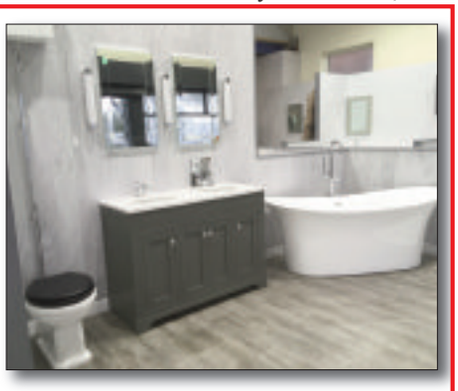

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Radio station launches weekly LGBTQ+ show

BRO Radio has teamed up with Pride Cyrmu and Radio Cardiff for a new weekly LGBTQ+ radio show following the success of Barry's first Pride event recently.

The show is hosted by Matthew Wilson from Pride Cymru and the organisers of Pride Cymru's Big Weekend in Cardiff. The Pride Cymru radio show is currently broadcast on Radio Cardiff and will be brought to the Vale on Bro Radio, broadcast live across the two radio stations. The two-hour show will broadcast each Wednesday night from 7pm will focus on topical discussion and music based on LGBT+ issues happening in Cardiff, the Vale and around the world. Host Matthew Wilson, who in 2010 hosted Bro Radio Breakfast, said: "I'm thrilled to see the positive impact and interaction with the local LGBT+ community. Local radio deals with issues affecting us in our everyday lives."

Bro Radio's operations director Nathan Spackman said: "I've always been keen to give a voice to the LGBT+ community here in the Vale. Working with Radio Cardiff and the success of the first Barry Pride, we hope to continue the conversations around LGBT+ rights and issues across the region."

The Pride Cymru Radio show will launch on Bro Radio on October 9 from 7pm. Anyone interested in featuring on the show should email matthew@pridecymru.com.

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Prisoner at HMP Parc was caught with weapons

WHEN security staff at Bridgend's Parc Prison saw an inmate exiting a cell, he insisted he had nothing unauthorised on him, *writes AL Sicluna.*

Cardiff Crown Court heard that in his waistband, he had an improvised knuckleduster and an improvised knife.

Liam Lazenby (20), admitted possessing the weapons.

Prosecutor Pamela Kaiga said that at about 12.25pm on June 21, staff saw Lazenby leaving a cell occupied by another inmate.

He should not have been there in the first place and was immediately searched and the weapons were discovered.

Lazenby was interviewed, admitted going into the cell, and explained the items belonged to somebody else.

He said he owed a drugs debt and had been asked to take the weapons to others.

He added that if he didn't obey, he would be a victim of violence.

At the time, said Ms Kaiga, Lazenby, who lived in the Forest of Dean, was serving a six-year sentence for stabbing a victim five times after going to a house.

Solicitor Ed Mitchell said Lazenby had an unhappy past as his four-year-old sister had been murdered and he had been taken into care at a young age.

Mr Mitchell said Lazenby was in an adult part of the prison and should have been in the young offender wing.

At the age of 18, he continued, he was leading an independent life but was "befriended" by drug dealers.

"He is clearly extremely vulnerable and he should not have been handed the weapons to take to another person."

In two years time, he said, he would be eligible for parole.

Judge Nicola Jones said she fully accepted Lazenby's explanation.

She said: "I accept you acted as a courier and you had violence threatened against you.

"You should have been in a young offender institution."

He was jailed for eight months, to run concurrently with the present sentence.

Hallowe'en revellers warned about dangers of novelty contact lenses

A CONTACT lens manufacturer is warning Hallowe'en pranksters of the dangers of buying novelty costume contact lenses without a prescription.

The warning comes following the news that popular reality TV star Marnie Simpson has been banned from promoting coloured contact lenses after advertising watchdogs deemed the products "unsafe."

Marnie, who rose to fame in 2013 with appearances in Geordie Shore and Celebrity Big Brother, has a huge social media following. She has been promoting a range of cosmetic lenses which are being sold without the supervision of an eye care practitioner.

Ashish Mathur, Eye Care Expert at Feel Good Contacts, said: "While we want Hallowe'en to be a memorable evening, we want it to be unforgettable for the right reasons and are warning consumers of the dangers of buying costume lenses without a prescription.

"Contact lenses are medical devices and should only be purchased with an optician's prescription.

"In fact, it's illegal to buy contact lenses without one. Even if you don't need any vision correction, you still need to visit an optician to ensure that contact lenses are suitable for your eyes."

Mathur concluded: "We recommend that before buying your contact lenses you visit your eye care practitioner for a check-up, regardless of whether you are buying cosmetic lenses with or without powers.

"It is advisable that you avoid buying them from street vendors, salons, beauty supply stores, boutiques, flea markets, novelty stores, Hallowe'en stores, convenience stores or untrustworthy internet retailers.

"These outlets may not abide by the same safety standards and regulations as a reputable contact lens retailer.

"When purchasing contact lenses from non-optical establishments, you could be putting your eyes at risk of a long list of eye-related conditions, including but not limited to; corneal infection, scratches on the cornea, conjunctivitis and reduced visual acuity."

Independent School Admission Appeal Panel Members

Panel members are needed to join an independent panel that adjudicates on school admission appeals where a parent has been refused a place for their child at Stanwell School.

Applications are invited from people of all backgrounds as the panel is made up of 'lay' members and 'non lay' members.

An admission appeals panel must consist of at least 3 or 5 members.

Each panel must consist of:

- At least one lay member. This means people without personal experience in the management of any school or the provision of education in any school. People with experience in education in a voluntary capacity or as governor would be permitted.
- At least one non lay member. This means a person with experience in education, who is acquainted with educational conditions in the Vale of Glamorgan area, or who is the parent of a pupil registered at another school.

Appeal panel members are paid a fee to cover travel and subsistence for the work they do. The amount of appeals that members attend during the year depends on their availability and personal commitments. Hearings take place during the day and are usually either half or full day. Full training will be provided for new members. This position is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

Training for posts will be taking place on Thursday 14th November, 10am at Stanwell School and all prospective panel members will need to attend this training. Please forward your application to: Mrs Natalie O'Leary, Stanwell School, Archer Road, Penarth, CF64 2XL, email: noleary@stanwell.org.

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Royal engineer still going strong at 104!

Birthday boy Daniel Rosewell celebrating his big day with Tŷ Llandaff service manager Lisa Cristina.

A HIGHLY-DECORATED former Royal Engineer who had his 104th birthday at a Pontcanna care home this week has revealed his secret to living a long life.

Daniel Rosewell who lives at Tŷ Llandaff, a residential, nursing, palliative and respite care home in Conway Road, has attributed living such a long time to "working hard and having a good life".

Daniel, known to staff and friends as Danny, celebrated his birthday in style with his family, friends, fellow residents and staff with a party at the home, with a buffet reception and live musical entertainment, dancing and a birthday cake.

Local Welsh singer Aubrey Parsons entertained guests with all the old favourites, with residents and staff singing along.

Danny said: "Never in this world did I think I would be around this long. I can only think the secret is to work hard have a good life, with a good marriage and a wonderful family."

In his younger years, Danny received five medals for his service during the Second World War including the Defence Medal, Italy Star, Africa Star, the 1939-45 Star and 1939-45 Medal.

He was in service throughout the whole of the war, seeing action against the Germans and Italians in Africa and Europe before returning home in 1945. He married Betty in 1939 and the couple had three children.

On leaving the Army, Daniel continued to work in engineering before moving into the furniture removals industry.

Danny moved to Tŷ Llandaff two-and-a-half years ago after he broke his shoulder in a fall. He added: "I'm happy at Tŷ Llandaff. The manager is good, the staff are really friendly, and the food is great. I also really enjoy the activities here."

Tŷ Llandaff service manager Lisa Cristina said: "We are so pleased to help Danny celebrate his 104th birthday in style. He truly deserves a good party as he's really good fun, and always puts a smile on our faces."

For more information about Tŷ Llandaff call Lisa on 02920 600 100, email info@tyllandaffcare.com or visit www.tyllandaffcare.com

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Plans to give prisoners the vote criticised

BREXIT Party AM Caroline Jones has criticised Labour's record on prisoner rehabilitation after the party's Welsh Assembly members – and Plaid Cymru colleagues – endorsed giving prisoners serving four years or less the vote.

Ms Jones, who represents South Wales West, said after the Assembly debate on September 25: "I was criticised for opposing votes for prisoners and told that as a former prison officer I should know better.

"What I do know is that during my time in the prison service, I saw far too many offenders released with their belongings in a bin liner, with no support and nowhere to live. It was no surprise that many ended up reoffending, sometimes just to secure a roof over their heads and regular meals."

She added: "Successive Welsh Governments have done little to support former offenders over the last 20 years and rather than improving rehabilitation and post release support they would rather campaign to win the votes of those in prison.

"They would create a bizarre situation where an offender could vote in prison but would not be able to upon release, because they have no fixed abode.

"I have long held that those who break the rules and laws of our society should have no say in how those laws are made while they are serving their sentence. Prisoners should not be allowed to vote and rather than legislating to enable them to do so, Labour and Plaid should concentrate upon support services to prevent reoffending."

Departure for airport chairman

AFTER a successful four years, Roger Lewis announced his plan to step down as chairman of Cardiff Airport on October 31 after his tenure came to an end.

His replacement has been found and is expected to start in June next year. Mr Lewis will remain in post until May 31.

Minister for Economy and Transport, Ken Skates AM, said: "On behalf the Welsh Government I would like to record my gratitude for the great work Roger has done so far with the airport, and will now continue to do until June.

"I have no doubt that Roger will continue to bring his focus and leadership to this important role."

Mr Lewis added: "It has been an honour to be a part of such a dynamic team, who have continuously delivered not just for Cardiff Airport, but for Wales. Our national airport is in great shape and, while we acknowledge there is more work to be done, our journey ahead looks bright."

Mr Lewis has also started a new Welsh Government role as president of Amgueddfa Cymru – National Museum Wales.

Putting best foot forward for heart charity

On your marks, get set, go! Some of the runners setting off at last year's event. Photo taken by Glyn Evans.

A PONTYCLUN woman running her first half marathon for the British Heart Foundation will be holding the memory of her father close to her heart.

Elin Bennett, 31, will be taking on the Cardiff Half Marathon on October 6 to raise funds for the foundation's research into heart and circulatory diseases.

Her father Ian Bennett had a fatal heart attack at home in 2008 and Ms Bennett plans to complete the 13.1 miles around the capital city in his memory.

Around 340,000 people are living with heart and circulatory diseases in Wales.

Ms Bennett's father was just days away from his 60th birthday when he lost his life.

She said: "Just ahead of my dad's 60th birthday he had a heart attack and passed away before the first responders arrived.

"It was so sudden and such an enormous shock to us all. My dad was relatively active, he was taking medication for high blood pressure but he wasn't feeling unwell at all, and had no obvious symptoms or health issues in the weeks before his heart attack.

"Since then we've discovered there's an inherited heart condition in our family."

Ms Bennett's sister-in-law Kelly Bennett will be running alongside her and raising money for the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

They have been running together and supporting each other in training.

Ms Bennett added: "I want to raise money for the foundation's research into inherited heart conditions in memory of my dad, and to help other families who are affected by heart diseases. It's a way I can give back to the foundation so that more lives can be saved, and to help stop such a loss happening to someone else."

Adam Fletcher, head of British Heart Foundation Cymru said: "I'd like to thank Elin; she will be helping to fund lifesaving research, and we're all grateful for her support here at BHF Cymru. Every step Elin takes will help bring us closer to the day when families aren't torn apart by heart and circulatory diseases such as heart disease, stroke and vascular dementia."

To support Ms Bennett in her Cardiff Half Marathon visit www.justgiving.com/fundraising/elin-bennett.

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Acclaimed marine artist returns to Cowbridge

A new quintych by Nick John Rees.

POPULAR local marine artist Nick John Rees is returning to Cowbridge, where he will be hosting a new exhibition at 23b High Street (the pop-up shop) until October 20.

The exhibition will feature around 50 original paintings of both local views as well as scenes from further afield as well as a selection of limited-edition prints.

The exhibition is open every day, and for more information visit www.nickjohnrees.com.

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Celebrating important Welsh women

THE weekend conference of Women's Archive Wales will bring together people interested in recognising the role of women who have made a significant impact on the national life of Wales.

They include a Suffragette window smasher and hunger striker to women who have distinguished themselves in the more peaceable aspects of craft work.

The archive is presenting its annual conference in partnership with St Fagan's National Museum of History.

The medals and papers of Suffragette Kate Williams Evans were acquired by the museum last year and the story of her life and work will be told by historian Ryland Wallace.

Another aspect of Welsh life will focus on craft items made during the Depression.

The conference will be held October 5 and 6 at St Fagan's museum.

Some 25 historians will present the lives of women whose contributions to Welsh life range over politics and football. Programme and booking details from Susan Thomas at sthomas.waw@outlook.com

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Harmony Choir

THE choir's annual concert will be held at Nantyffyllon Rugby Club, Maesteg on Friday, October 4; doors open 6.30pm for 7pm and our special guest for the evening is the brilliant talented soprano Jessica Robinson.

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BRENDAN Sweeney, of David Prosser & Co Solicitors, writes:

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Probate disputes and challenges to wills are becoming a growth area, which often leads to substantial costs.

We now live in a world where family relationships are often very complex, and expert advice regarding the drafting of a will is essential.

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The pub that was saved from closure when the locals bought the lease

THE Three Horse Shoe Community Pub, Cefn Cribwr, which recently reopened after local residents raised £72,000 to buy the lease, is to host an open evening, on Wednesday, October 16, to discuss Welsh Independence

The community pub will be hosting the event, which has been arranged by 'Yes Cymru Penybont ar Ogwr' local group and features talks from: Christine Moore, chair of Yes Cymru Penybont ar Ogwr; Dr John Ball, retired lecturer from Swansea University's school of business and economics; Huw Williams, Labour4indy; and David Peterson, sculptor, cultural commentator and TV presenter.

Christine said: "Irrespective of whether people voted leave or remain in 2016, the one thing we can all agree on is that Westminster isn't working and more and more people from all backgrounds, nationalities and political persuasions are now seriously considering the prospect of Welsh Independence.

"Over the past 12 months, thousands have marched in Cardiff, Caernarfon and Merthyr supporting the call for Welsh Independence with further marches planned for 2020.

"Yes Cymru is a non-party political organisation; our sole aim is to raise and debate the questions surrounding Welsh Independence.

"We would be delighted if people were able to join us at the meeting, no matter their thoughts."

If you would like further information about the meeting, or about Yes Cymru itself, contact Christine on 07528 491819

The meeting takes place at 7pm Wednesday, October 16, The Three Horse Shoe Public House, Cefn Cribwr, CF32 0A.

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Planning for the future with Passmores

PASSMORES, one of Barry's most reputable and longstanding firms of solicitors, would like to encourage all people to plan ahead to avoid problems if they later lose mental capacity.

It means making a Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) on the latest version of the forms. A Lasting Power of Attorney is a legal document that enables one person to make decisions on behalf of another.

There are two types of LPA: financial and welfare. Financial LPAs enable a person to act on behalf of another if, for example, they are ill or disabled and cannot act for themselves.

A welfare LPA enables a person to act on behalf of another if that person does not have the mental capacity to act for themselves, for example, in the case of a severe stroke.

Without an LPA, it may be necessary for family members to apply to the Court of Protection for authority. This can be a distressing and lengthy process and is far more expensive than making an LPA.

Once all parties have signed the LPA, they must then be registered with the Office of the Public Guardian before they can be used.

Carli Evans of Passmores Solicitors (member of Solicitors for the Elderly and also the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners) is actively encouraging all people to plan ahead and make Lasting Powers of Attorney.

People wishing to discuss their requirements should contact Carli Evans to arrange a no obligation appointment on 01446 721000 or by email *ce@passmores.com.*

Wonderful autumnal colours now instock at Samantha B

AS we plunge into autumn at Samantha B, it's time to turn your wardrobe around.

I for one have packed my linen away for another year, and whilst I love the summer, I'm breathing a sigh of relief thinking about the lovely autumnal clothes I can cosy up in !

There are some wonderful colours this season.

Gone are the days when winter meant drab. You can expect to find gorgeous autumnal hues of orange, rust , mustard, green and warm pink, as well as all the lovely traditional colours of navy , black and grey.

Olsen's latest delivery is sumptuous, combinations of hazelnut and pale blues accented with cream , you feel warm and cosy just looking at it. Lovely dresses topped of with a faux leather jacket, exquisite!

If you prefer a dressed down look, come in and see the lovely cords and jeans in colours such as red , purple , grey.

We also stock some great all round trousers by Brandtex, ficelle and warmer trousers by Lebek – see the lovely collection for yourself.

The new label that we have, Barbara Lebek is flying out, a more tailored look of coordinated separates. Mix and match the lovely tops with their super pull on trousers which are a lovely warm ponte fabric top with a gilet or jacket and your ready for any invitation!

If you're thinking of investing in a new winter coat, we have a super collection this season – lovely padded long coats in champagne or raspberry, shorter quilted in soft pink or mustard. A coat is an investment but it's the first thing that people notice so its good to get it right!

We have held a number of charity fashion shows if you're interested in attending one. It's a great way to see the clothes in action and on October 10, we are at the Grove Golf Club, Porthcawl in aid of Ty Hafan. On October 12 we are in Cwmavon, and on October 18 with Cor Bro Ogwr Choir in Bridgend.

Please call Samantha B for further information.

Insurance company's cash will help the homeless

A specialty insurance group, Tokio Marine HCC (TMHCC), has made a £10,000 donation to build a brand-new wet room for people who use the services of Wales's leading homelessness and rough sleeping charity, The Wallich, in Bridgend.

TMHCC has donated a total of £10,000 to The Wallich, as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative, to invest in alleviating homelessness. The Wallich will use part of the donation to upgrade the shower services at their dedicated drop-in centre.

Mike Walmsley of The Wallich, said, "Tokio Marine HCC has trusted us to decide where best to put their generous donation. That's why we've decided to upgrade the basic shower we have."

Community groups can tackle ATM closures

CONSUMERS and community groups will be able to request a free-to-use ATM in their area directly from operator Link due to the launch of a new fund.

The Community Access to Cash Delivery Fund will be made available for requests for free-to-use ATMs in places with poor access and is part of measures aimed at tackling concerns that it is becoming harder for people to take out cash.

Those within communities who want to apply could include individual consumers, councils, community groups or MPs.

If people want to suggest a site they can email *info@link.co.uk*.

If an application meets the criteria and there is a suitable location, Link will fund the new ATM directly.

There is £1 million in the pot so far, but more money could be released when needed.

Applications will be looked at on a case-by-case basis, depending on factors such as distance to nearest free ATM, the availability of a nearby Post Office and site security.

If there is another free cash machine within 1km within the community and no particular geographical challenges to reaching it, applications may be unlikely to be successful.

Link said the move builds on its commitment to protect free access to cash for every high street in the UK.

In August, Link announced five new pilot sites in Battle, Bungay, Nuneaton, Tywyn in Wales, and Durness in Scotland, where a new ATM would be directly commissioned.

These new ATMs will be funded by a levy on Link's bank and building society members.

More sites that will get a free ATM have already been identified and are in Deal, Ebbw Vale, Margate, Middleton, Wilmslow and York.

John Howells, Link chief executive said: "This is an important development which will allow communities to directly contact Link and get things done to help consumers.

"Link is looking forward to getting the first requests for ATMs so we can help solve access to cash issues across the whole UK."

The new fund complements the existing system where commercial operators decide whether a site is profitable.

ATM and bank branch closures have fuelled concerns about access to cash.

Recent research from Which? suggested that free-to-use cash machines are vanishing more quickly in deprived areas than in affluent ones.

Which? also found that around a third of the UK's bank branches have shut within the past five years alone.

Hundreds more have slashed their opening hours, with some just open for one or two days a week.

There were 3,303 bank branch closures, equating to 34% of the network, between January 2015 and August 2019, the consumer group previously said.

Federation of Small Businesses national chairman Mike Cherry said: "The vulnerable, elderly and those in rural communities rely on having free access to cash, so this move from Link and the Community Access to Cash Delivery Fund is a promising step in the right direction.

"However, this is just one proposal in a range of solutions needed to tackle the growing access to cash problem, because cutting the number of free to access cash machines has an impact on footfall in town centres.

"At a time when small firms are struggling on the high street, every pound spent on charging ATMs means money not being spent on local and small firms.

"When an ATM is removed from a local area, we know it is especially difficult to get one reinstalled later on, and we hope this move can help."

Jenny Ross, Which? money editor, said: "Millions of people who need cash are at risk of being cut off from paying for vital goods and services, so it's clear urgent intervention is needed.

"Although voluntary industry initiatives to protect cash are encouraging we can't rely on them to guarantee cash access in the long term.

"The Government must urgently introduce legislation that guarantees consumers can continue to access and pay with cash for as long as it is needed."

By Vicky Shaw, PA Personal Finance Correspondent

Sue has 20 years experience of pet minding

WITH 20 years of experience in petcare, Sit 'n' Stay Petminding has recently relocated to Rhoose and is busy building a new clientele.

Proprietor Sue Brydon was living in rural Gloucestershire when she began offering home boarding for dogs, and home visits for cats and smaller pets.

She said: "Back in 1998, the idea of providing an alternative to kennels and catteries for pet owners going away on holiday, business trips, or who were temporarily indisposed was relatively unknown, but it quickly proved popular."

In 2010 she moved to Caerphilly. There she set about building her business once again, providing licensed home boarding and a dog walking service, together with home visits for cats etc.

She also trained as a dog groomer, specialising in smaller breeds and elderly or nervous dogs, and became an accredited canine first-aider.

"I don't pack-walk dogs, but instead provide a one-to-one service for up to three - but only if they're all from the same family," explains Sue. "I'm pleased to be bringing my full range of Sit 'n' Stay Petminding services to the Vale with immediate vacancies for dog walking, and places for home boarding during half term, Christmas and the new year."

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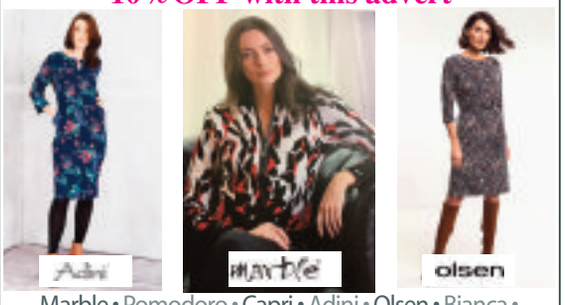

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In addition the open mornings offer a wonderful opportunity to see the school in action during the working day. All prospective parents are welcome and no appointments are necessary.

Newly opened in September 2018 the school posted excellent results last summer in all areas, living up to its promise to offer parents the highest standards of education and pastoral care.

Further details on the school's results and the proposals for our new multi-million pound school building can be obtained at these open events.

Please attend as invited or contact the school for a visit at another time or for further information.

www.pencoedtrehigh.org.uk
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Out & About with The GEM

Something for everyone at the Vale's first autumn Film Fest

A NEW film festival has marked the start of autumn: Vale Film Fest '19 'The Hidden Here', a project funded through the Vale Council and the Wales Rural Development Programme.

The slate was eclectic, featuring everything from the impact Guiding has had on new world female leaders, to a unique screening of the *The Blair Witch Project* (1999) in a howling storm at Cosmeston Lakes. The festival's final day is October 5 with a screening in St Cadoc's Church Llancarfan, and a marathon day of all the *Jurassic Park* films at St Donat's castle where there will also be workshops running all day with Beanstalk Animation and a VR experience made for the festival by Stuart Rideout. Tickets are still available at www.vale-filmfest.co.uk.

Pictured at the festival are Madeleine Sims (film officer) Jane Hutt AM, Gill Clay, Daf Clay, Orla Clay, Lis Burnett (Deputy Leader and Cabinet member for Education and Regeneration).

Dog of the Week

SWEET six-year-old Mastiff cross LeeLou is a big girl, but is super sensitive so is looking for a dog-experienced, understanding owner who can give her the reassurance she needs.

She is looking for a home in a quiet location where she can have time to come out of her shell. Once Lee-Lou knows you, she is the gentlest giant you will ever meet and is partial to climbing up onto your lap! She will prefer to be the only dog in an adult-only home.

Staff at the Dogs Trust say Lee-Lou is a sweet, loveable girl who craves human company.

Lee-Lou is currently in a temporary foster home through the charity's Home From Home Scheme, so if you're interested in giving her a home, call Dogs Trust Bridgend on 01656 725219. You can also visit our website at www.dogstrust.org.uk.

Visit www.glamorgan-gem.co.uk for the latest news

Barry gets ready to rock!

IT'S time to grab tickets for one of a musical treat in Barry as Rhys Lewis gets ready to rock the town in memory of his dad.

The annual Neil Lewis Memorial Concert is back and set to take place on Friday, October 4 from 7pm at Barry Island Sports and Social Club.

Rhys Lewis, who organises the event for music lovers to get together and remember Barry musician Neil Lewis, has an impressive line-up of talent.

Musicians taking to the stage include Second Chance, the Hindenburgs, Groove Line, Black Angus, Tumbling Dice – and a DJ Set from Becky Lloyd to keep crowds entertained between bands.

He said: "There is a top line up for this year's concert and this promises to remember my dad, showcase much of the Barry music scene's hottest talent and raise money for very worthy causes.

"Once again, so many musicians have come forward to be involved and I'm going to do my best to make this the best memorial gig yet!"

Respected artist Neil, who passed away in 2009, played for many years with Max Boyce. He also supported Fairport Convention, Tom Paxton and Billy Connolly – and lived and played in both Canada and Bermuda before settling back in his native Barry.

All profits will be split between charities chosen by the bands and there will be a raffle on the night.

The gig has been sponsored by CF6 Lettings and Nailed It Events.

Tickets are available from Boofys at Barry island, The Barry Island Sports and Social Club, The Ship Hotel, Barry Music Shop, or by contacting Rhys on 07595497255.

Guests should be at the sports and social club for the 7pm start.

What's on, and where?

Toy and train sale

THE next toy and train sale takes place on Saturday, October 5 from 10.30am to 3pm at Penarth Leisure Centre, Andrew Road, Cogan, Cardiff, CF64 2NS.

Traders will be buying as well as selling and exchanging, and will also offer free valuations on a range of toy and train related items without any obligation. Call 01643 702757, 07966 694579 or visit www.chrisdyerfairs.co.uk for more information.

Art Society

ON Thursday October 3 there will be a line and wash demonstration at Cowbridge Art Society, featuring buildings by Bristol artist, author and demonstrator Paul Weaver.

On Thursday, October 10 an animal portrait watercolour demonstration by Alison Fennel. The society meets in the Old Hall from 7pm-9pm on Thursdays for 10 sessions each term. New members and visitors are most welcome; details of this term's programme are available in the foyer of the Old Hall, Cowbridge and information is available on our Facebook page, facebook.com/cowbridgeart.cas.

Country Market

A Country Market takes place on Friday, October 4 from 9.30am to 11.30am in the Lesser Hall, Cowbridge.

The Vale of Glamorgan Farmers' Market takes place on Saturday, October 5 in Arthur John's car park from 9am to 1pm.

The Wonderful World of Fungi

JOIN the Glamorgan Fungus Group at Kenfig Pool NNR visitors' centre on Saturday, October 5 to celebrate UK National Fungus Day.

There will be information and books on fungi and hopefully specimens of fungi on display. Members will be on hand to answer questions. The event starts at 11am, is free and the group will run mini forays on the reserve, starting 11.30am and 1.30pm. For further information, email glamorganfungi@gmail.com or facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/GlamorganFungusGroup/.

Craft fair in Barry

ENFYS Craft Fair will be held on October 5 in St Ffransis Millennium Hall, Park Road, Barry, CF62 6NX between 10am and 4pm; admission free. Proceeds to Ty Hafan. For more information, call Reg on 01446 792149 or Patricia on 01656 80784.

Diabetes support

IF you have been diagnosed with diabetes, you may be looking for support groups in your area.

Age Connects Cardiff and Vale will hold a drop-in information session at the Cardiff and Vale Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry on Tuesday, October 8 from 10am to 12pm. Cardiff and Vale Diabetes Support will be there and no appointment is needed. Call 01446 732385 for further information.

Neighbourhood Watch in the Vale

THE next Neighbourhood Watch meeting including Penllyn, Craig Penllyn and Pentre Meyrick will be on Tuesday, October 8 at The Red Fox Inn starting at 11am.

All residents will be very welcome, please join us for coffee and chat.

National Coastwatch quiz

A QUIZ, held to raise money for the Porthcawl National Coastwatch Institute, is taking place at the Hi-Tide on October 9 from 7pm (our recent report gave the date as October 8).

Tickets are available from the tower or watchkeepers.

Cinema in Ystradowen

YSTRADOWEN Community Cinema will be screening *Rocketman*, bursting with the sheer joy of Elton John's music on Wednesday, October 9.

Doors open 6.45pm, film starts 7.30pm. Tickets £5, available from Tudor Garage or by calling 01446 774827.

Meet the George family

THE George Family Name Society will be holding its 26th AGM on Saturday, October 5 at 9.30am in the Castle Hotel, Brecon.

The speaker will be Glyn Mathias, former political editor of the BBC and ITN. All are welcome to attend the talk following the AGM. Further information can be obtained from the secretary on 07941 844461 or at sec@georgefamilyname.org.

Quakers meet

BRIDGEND Quakers are holding an International Evening in the upstairs room at United Reformed Church on Thursday, October 10 from 7pm-9pm to raise money for Christian Aid.

Pencoed Ukulele Band will be there, and with poetry and light refreshment it should be an enjoyable evening. Disabled access, free entry; donations are welcome. See www.bridgendquakers.org.uk for further information.

Play in Llanmaes

***SHYLOCK,* performed by Rhodri Miles is the tragic, funny and often unbelievable lives of fiction's most famous Jews at Llanmaes village hall on Friday, October 11 at 7pm. Tickets £10 to include a glass of wine on arrival; call Jackie 07976 698325 or 01446 796605 or 796630.**

Art exhibition

THERE will be an exhibition of paintings by Roger Morgan in Giles Gallery, Pontyclun, from Saturday, October 12 until Saturday, November 2. The gallery is open Tuesday to Saturday, 10am to 5pm.

Roger is a retired local dentist who, after treatment for cancer, decided to raise money for cancer research. All profits will go the Cancer Research UK (Wales Cymru).

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Charity coffee morning at Golau Caredig marks double celebration

Residents, staff and friends enjoyed the charity coffee morning.

CUPCAKES, treats and lots of fundraising fun were the top of the list at Hafod's fifth World's Biggest Macmillan coffee morning at Golau Caredig Extra Care scheme in Barry.

Action for Elders and Welsh Assembly Member Jane Hutt jointly staged the event, which marked Golau Caredig's fifth birthday and raised £700 for Macmillan. There were handmade cards on offer as well as jewellery and cuddly toys from a variety of stalls which included Wales Air Ambulance and Guide Dogs Cymru. The highlight of the morning for many was receiving cuddles from Sid the dog, who has visited the scheme many times before with Guide Dogs Cymru. Hafod welcomed the Mayor of Barry, Cllr Margaret Wilkinson, who also spent time getting to know the furry friend and guests.

Miles Utting, scheme manager said: "The coffee morning is always a way for everyone to come together and raise money for a great cause, which is why we thought it would be the perfect opportunity to also celebrate the fact we turned five years old this month. Each year, the get-together exceeds our expectations and on behalf of everyone at Hafod, I'd like to say how excited we are to see what the future holds."

Golau Caredig Extra Care Scheme provides independent living for people over 55 in 42 purpose built apartments.

To find out more, call 01446 731940 or visit afod.org.uk.

'Record levels of funding' to be shared with Wales

CHRIS Elmore has won an assurance that Wales will share in "record levels of funding" the Government plans to invest in the NHS.

The Ogmore MP raised the issue in the Commons with Health Minister Edward Argar, who had outlined the Government's expenditure plans for the NHS in England.

He said he wanted to push the minister on the issue of the devolution settlement and "consequentials" arising from the Barnett formula.

The formula helps determine how much additional money is made available to Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland in the event of more money being announced for England.

Mr Elmore asked: "Can he confirm when the Welsh Government will receive this additional capital funding so that we can make decisions in Wales about where our hospitals need investment?

"He can be reassured that he does not need to visit any Welsh hospitals."

Mr Argar said Mr Elmore would be aware that he spoke last week with the Welsh Health Minister, Vaughan Gething, and may visit Cardiff to see him.

He said: "He is right to pick up on the need for the devolved administrations to understand what the Barnett consequentials are so that they can start planning.

"If I may, I will write to him about timescales and so on, but I want to reiterate the reassurance that the Barnett consequentials will be there."

MP

Prickly pals need your help

AS the nights get darker, homeowners are being encouraged to look after any prickly visitors they could find in their gardens this autumn as hedgehog numbers continue to fall.

Outdoors experts from GardenBuildingsDirect.com have researched ways British hedgehogs can be supported in gardens as young hoglets emerge this year.

They said: "These mammals play a vital part in our ecosystem but can often be hurt in our gardens. As many as 10 different hedgehogs can visit any one garden over the course of a few nights, so it's important to try and help them survive and thrive in the great outdoors.

"The breeding season is in May and June, so young hedgehogs will soon be out and exploring gardens and it's important that we help feed and look after them."

Here are some tips to follow, to help hedgehogs thrive;

Hedgehogs are good swimmers, but if caught by surprise can drown. Cover drains and holes and place bricks around ponds, and check under hedges before using strimmers and lawn mowers.

Leaving a little dish of dog or cat food will make hedgehogs very happy. Placed in a quiet, covered area around dusk they will eat it and keep their bellies full all night.

Fresh water left in shallow, non-tip dishes, will give hedgehogs in your garden access to clean water. Don't use milk, as it can upset their tummies.

If you find a hedgehog which you believe to be hurt, the best thing to do is contact a specialist group in your area and keep the hedgehog safe until you get advice. Use a cardboard box with high sides, lined with a towel and scrunched up newspaper so the hedgehog can hide.

Remember to wear a thick pair of gardening gloves before gently scooping up the hedgehog and placing it in the box.

If the hedgehog is very poorly, or cold, you can give it a hot water bottle wrapped in a tea towel to snuggle up to.

As pleasing as a tidy, well-kept garden may be to us humans, hedgehogs won't thank you for it. Leave overgrown corners where they can hide and snuffle for insects.

It's very easy to provide a home for hedgehogs in your garden. You can buy ready-made hedgehog houses, or turn a waste paper bin, plant pot or wooden box upside down.

Cutting a little doorway will let hedgehogs come in but will keep predators out; and placing a stone on top will stop the house from being blown over.

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Runners defy the rainstorms and make the Cowbridge 10K a big hit

DESPITE dreadful weather conditions, the Cowbridge 10k went ahead on Sunday morning (September 29) and was hugely supported!

On the day, the runners had a choice of running a 10k or a 6k race. There was also a 1k race for juniors.

Organiser Anne Birt said: "On behalf of Simon Jones (Llantwit Major Milers) and myself, I would like to thank all those who ran, all those who acted as marshalls and all those who helped with the smooth running of the event, which started at Cowbridge Rugby Club!

"Also, I would like to thank Cllr Alec Trounsell, the Mayor of Cowbridge with Llanblethian, who stayed with us until the bitter end!

"It was a huge team effort!

"It would be remiss of me not to take this opportunity to thank our sponsors: Legacy Leisure; Cowbridge Co-op; Brinsons and Birt; Town and Country Collective; Siteserv; Hitchings Electrical; and Vale Consultancy Civil and Structural Engineers.

"We are indebted to you all."

Running clubs who took part in the Cowbridge 10k were: Ogmore Phoenix (top right); Major Milers (right); Cornelly Striders (below); Pontyclun Road Runners (foot of page).

Photographs by Mike Wilcock (wilcock60@aol.com)

BELOW: Organiser Anne Birt with the two Cornelly Striders ladies who ran in fancy dress.

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Porthcawl takes a step down the plastic-free road

Caption Cllr Alex Harris with Brian Jones of Keep Wales Tidy in the background following a community beach clean at Sker Point

Porthcawl is set to become the first plastic-free town in Bridgend county borough.

The status recognises communities which have taken steps to cut the use of single-use plastics and involves the work of not only businesses and community groups but also schools, local authorities and town councils.

In Porthcawl, a dozen businesses have already agreed to stop using at least three plastic items.

Among them are the Finnegans Fish Bar, which has started using paper bags instead of plastic ones, and the Side Walk Café, which no longer uses plastic cutlery, stirrers or sauce sachets.

Businesses are also being encouraged to sign up to the Refill app which shows where people can fill up their reusable bottles with free tap water.

Meanwhile, schoolchildren have been taking part in a Love It, Don't Trash It campaign, learning about the negative impact of litter by carrying out clean ups on nearby streets and beaches.

And they have been designing posters, soon to be displayed around the town, encouraging residents and visitors to bin their waste.

Town councillor Alex Harris, who formed the group Plastic Free Porthcawl, said: "In August last year I signed up with Surfers Against Sewage to become a community leader with a view to getting the town accredited as plastic-free.

"It's something I'm passionate about – I want to try and reduce the plastic used in the town.

"Switching plastic cutlery, bags, straws and sachets is fantastic – it's all small stuff but together it adds up to a huge amount of waste.

"I have done a whole bunch of beach cleans over the last few years and I'm very aware there's a lot of people in the town all doing their bit, whether it's the absolutely amazing work done by SeaQuest, Coney Surf or the Friends of Newton Beach.

"I was looking at it and thinking we've got to get some proper recognition for what's going on in the town."

Around the same time, Bridgend County Borough Council's (BCBC) plans for the Love it, Don't Trash it campaign were getting underway and in November, the town council resolved to support Porthcawl in becoming accredited as a Plastic Free Town.

Now, just over a year later, Cllr Harris is submitting an application to gain the accreditation, awarded by Surfers Against Sewage, with the town having met all five of the necessary objectives ranging from local businesses finding suitable alternatives for single-use plastic items to community events such as one which saw a giant sea-faring puppet appear in the town.

Cllr Harris who represents the Rest Bay ward said: "I'm over the moon to have got this far – I never thought it would be achieved in just over a year, I was expecting it to be two, or maybe longer.

"That's all credit to the town and the people that have worked so hard."

At a recent BCBC meeting on Wednesday, September 18, deputy leader Hywel Williams said the local authority would soon be inviting Porthcawl businesses to attend a free workshop where they could discover more about the importance of reducing the use of polystyrene and plastics.

He said: "Plastic straws, bottles, tops, cutlery, sachets, drinking cups, lids, bags and other on-the-go packaging are all among the biggest offenders when it comes to littering, and too many of them are damaging the planet.

"If the scheme is a success, it could be developed further."

Liz Bradfield
Local democracy reporter

Barry shoppers defy the elements to support Macmillan fundraising at King Square coffee morning

Labour's Parliamentary hopeful Belinda Loveluck-Edwards with Macmillan fundraising manager Rebecca Parke (in costume) with two young bakers

A WHOPPING £567 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Support by Labour's Prospective Parliamentary candidate for the Vale Belinda Loveluck-Edwards at her World's Biggest Coffee Morning last Saturday.

Shoppers braved the terrible weather in King Square, Barry, to buy cakes and raise money for the cancer charity.

"I want to say a huge thank you to everybody who donated to a cause very close to my heart. At times the wind and rain were awful, but eventually the sun shone and people queued for cake and to make donations," Ms Loveluck-Edwards said.

Macmillan's senior fundraising manager for the Vale of Glamorgan Rebecca Parke said: "It was fantastic to see so many people come out and support Belinda with her World's Biggest Coffee Morning.

"The generosity of everyone who supported the event is amazing and that money will help Macmillan to continue to support people across the Vale of Glamorgan who are living with cancer."

How the 'smoking runner' changed his life

A Llantwit Major man has changed from being a 25-a-day smoker to a marathon runner – and is now celebrating one-year of being smoke-free.

"I was known as the smoking runner", said Stuart Higgins, remembering how at the end of every race he took part in, he'd light up a cigarette.

At the height of his addiction, the 49-year-old Llantwit postman was smoking 25 a day, leaving him struggling for breath at the end of each run.

He says he'd convinced himself he was 'invincible' after surviving a major health scare in his 30s which led to him having part of his stomach removed and despite doctors telling him his condition could have been caused by smoking, he carried on regardless .

Smoking had become an integral part of his daily routine. He remembers how, as a postman, he would stop for a smoke during his round, a habit he said he thought he'd never break: "There was a specific part of my round when I pulled up in my van to wait for a colleague. That used to be my smoking break and I'd automatically pat my pockets to check that my tobacco and papers were there."

When he found himself back in hospital a year ago however, that all changed.

"I ended up staying in hospital for a week and all that time, as I was lying in my bed, I never once thought about getting up and going out for a cigarette. I was so surprised that I hadn't craved a fag. It was like a switch had been thrown in my head.

"I decided then and there that if I could last a week with out a fag, that was it, I was in the right mindset to give up."

After leaving hospital, Stuart visited his GP who gave him two weeks of nicotine patches and mist. By the second week, Stuart said he no longer felt the need to use the mist and describes the whole process of quitting as 'simple'.

"I still have my tobacco and my papers and I've never felt the urge to use them," he said. "They are in a box under my table and that's where they are going to stay."

Despite being a smoker, Stuart had been running for three years, having rediscovered his joy of the sport which he'd enjoyed in his school days:

"I started running again three years ago. I had been nagging my brother about running with him again. At the end of each run though, I'd have a fag and I become known as the smoking runner. It was a bit of a stigma really.

"The running community was incredibly supportive when I gave up. I can push myself a lot harder now and I'm no longer fighting for breath at the end of a run.

"As a postman, I walk 65 to 70 miles in an average week. Quitting smoking has definitely helped me to do that too," he added.

Having given up smoking Stuart has never looked back.

The father of three is now urging his own children never to take up the habit. And his advice to others hoping to do the same is simple:

"Believe in yourself. It's a big lifestyle change and you have to be fully committed to making that change. And it's ok to relapse, just as long as you get straight back on track."

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'Sullyfest' community day is a success and will be back again next year!

THE first ever Sully festival was held on September 14, attracting over 3,600 people during the course of the day.

Led by the newly formed Sully Village Group (SVG) and organised entirely by volunteers, 'Sullyfest' is now set to be an annual family event for the village, taking place on the Burnham Avenue community fields as part of a vision to bring Sully residents closer together.

Organised in just over three months, the free event was hosted by Bro Radio and Max Scott, attracting high levels of support from local businesses which extended far beyond financial sponsorship.

For example, the event organisation benefited from access to a wide range of local services supplied free of charge – including major operations and logistics resources from Byron Colston at groundworks company, Grab-It.

From officially opening the gates at 1.30pm to closing at 8.30pm, local people flocked to the pirate themed event for an action-packed day which included a fire show, live bands, craft marketplace, dog show, football challenges and a treasure hunt.

The community raffle raised just over £600, with SVG pledging to donate £150 of this to the local library.

"Sullyfest surpassed our expectations. I have lived here all my life and have never felt more proud of our wonderful community. I hope we can continue to work together and enjoy similarly successful events, roll on Sullyfest 2020!" commented Hannah Bevan Mohaffel, SVG co-chair.

Positive comments and praise have been pouring in after the event, with many people commenting on Facebook. Comments such as: "I wanted to say how fantastic yesterday was. It was a triumph, a fabulous, fun, family day, the likes of which have never been seen here before. .

"We owe a debt of gratitude to the many, many, many volunteers who made this event possible. Thank you for organising such a brilliant day, it just goes to show that when this community comes together it can achieve so much."

Without the support of the event volunteers and businesses, Sullyfest would not have been the huge success that it was. In addition to Grab-It, SVG would like to give special thanks to Richard Paton of Swanbridge Property Services, the Sully Sports and Social Club and local band Creatures of Habit, all of whom donated time and resources to help deliver a safe and enjoyable event for the residents of Sully and surrounding areas.

SVG is busy planning more events, with a Christmas Sullyfair already scheduled for Saturday, November 23, at the Sully Sports and Social Club.

A spokesperson added: "For the highlights of Sullyfest and to stay up to date with all future SVG activities, please follow their Facebook page, simply search for: Sully Village Group".

Sean joins the Athletic elite

RECENTLY, in the Specsavers Plate game against Pyle, Sean Williams joined a select band of 10 players to make 300 recorded Athletic senior appearances.

The other nine are Stuart Morris, Wayne Fooks, Simon Mustoe, Paul Rees, Huw Hathaway, Tony Griffiths, Martin Morris, Gary Dalton and Jonathon Stoker. In fact, it is possible that, at the end of this season, Sean will be among the top five on the all time Athletic senior player list.

Sean, like his late uncle, Wales and British Lion Gareth Williams, can play anywhere in the back row and has played most of his games at No 8 or in his current position of blind side flanker. When the need arose he has taken his line out prowess into the lock position as well.

Sean was a late starter in rugby, joining Bridgend Athletic Junior under-15 team and playing for Brynteg Comprehensive School. He developed quickly and his leadership qualities emerged both at Brynteg, captaining the senior side for two seasons and captaining the Athletic Youth in his third season.

He led the Ath Youth to the District Cup, scoring his only try hat-trick in the final. He also won a Boys Club of Wales Cap and represented Crawshays Youth.

Sean with nephews Theo and Jesse - next generation Ath players. (Photo by John Canon).

He made his First XV debut at the end of season 2005-2006, while still in youth and has clocked up a number of player of the year awards. Nobody in the club can remember Sean having a bad game. He has played 291 of the 300 games for the First XV, scoring 35 tries and 175 points.

He captained the club for five consecutive seasons, starting in 2011/12.

At the end of his first season as captain, the team were promoted into the inaugural championship of season 2012-2013, where the club, despite lacking the resources of most of its rivals held its own for three of the four seasons, finishing ninth and eighth twice in a table of 14 teams. Among those teams were Swansea, Ebbw Vale, Pontypool, and Newbridge.

Sean said: "My best rugby memories would be pretty much all of our spell in the Championship from 2012-2016, playing as underdogs week in week out and beating the 'bigger' teams.

"It has been a privilege to play with so many different players, whether they be Athletic boys from the First team or the Generals or boys turning up to help us out. My ambition would be to take the Athletic back to the Championship, whether that be as a player or as a coach one day."

Head coach John Apsee wrote: "Sean Williams epitomises Bridgend Athletic RFC in every way:

I have had the pleasure of being involved with Sean for most of his senior rugby career.

He comes from the formidable Williams family, of quality sportsmen, athletes/rugby players, whose family background has been farming, hard work and rugby football.

"Sean certainly takes all these attributes onto the rugby field, which makes him the outstanding uncompromising player he is.

"Bridgend Athletic have produced numerous international players over the years and for me Sean is up there with the best of them. Well done Sean on your 300th game and joining such a unique group of Athletic players."

Team manager Paul Hearne commented: "Sean has been an ever present in the First XV since leaving youth. His fitness and attitude in training and matches is second to none. He has played Premiership Rugby with Swansea where the coaches held the same high regard for him as do the Athletic.

"He bounced back from a serious injury needing knee reconstruction stronger than ever."

Gerald Williams added: "This is my third season with Bridgend Athletic and working with Sean has been rewarding in what he contributes to the squad. He's always working to maximum whether in rugby games or training."

Stuart Morris who played alongside Sean and is now an Ath coach said: "A true leader on the field, never takes a backward step. The bigger the challenge the better he is."

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Heartbreak for Llantwit under 12s against strong Sully side

LLANTWIT Major JFC under 12s had their first taste of cup football recently, having been drawn away to Sully.

The coaches were hoping that the team would forget the result of the previous game and get back to winning ways, but were involved in a typical British cup game.

With a horrendous wind straight down the pitch, Llantwit started facing the wind and it was backs against the wall defence trying to limit Sully's chances. Sully took the lead, but Llantwit kept battling and Brodie Beare finished well to draw level.

Half time brought rain and hail, but Llantwit had the wind behind them and were hoping to take advantage. They managed a second goal through Brodie Beare, but all to often either made hard work of their chances or failed to cover back to assist the defence. Sully had a few chances and in the dying minutes got the equaliser to force extra time.

Sully had vocal support and this seemed to raise their side and they took their chance in the second half of extra time to get the winner and break the hearts of the Llantwit boys.It was simply a case that Sully seemed to want it more and got the rewards for their hard work.

There were a few notable performances with Brodie Beare taking his chances well and Austin Caffery clearing up in defence but Man of the Match went to Joseph Kincaid, playing at right back but tackling well and supporting the midfield with a few cheeky runs.

Llantwit Major: *Isaac Martin-Evans, Joseph Kincaid, Tomos Davies, Austin Caffery, Keaton Precious, Dylan Godsell, Brodie Beare, Joshua Lewis, Joshua Puddock, Mason Winter, Correy Gaertig, Kai Wilson, Luke Collinson, Finley Wheaton, Harrison Edwards.*

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Barry Vets FC are up and running

BARRY Town FC Vets got their season off to a winning start against a very tough Penybont team in the Wales Veterans Football League.

Although last year's over-55 league and cup winners were not at their best, goals from Bobbett, Sanderson and Dyke, along with a committed performance, particularly from man of the match, Cardiff City legend Roger Gibbins, secured the points.

The 'Vets' will compete in the over-50s, 55s and 60s competitions of the Wales Veterans League this season, were welcomed to the fold by Barry Town United co-chairman Mark Barrett, who said: "We believed that the absence of a veterans section was one of the missing pieces in the development of the club and inviting in a ready-made, successful group, including so many names from the past was the obvious solution, and should be mutually beneficial to all concerned."

Barry Town Vets spokesman Dickie Batt added: "This is an exciting move and having a base in the town is a real positive for us, and should help to strengthen our current pool of players as we look to introduce over-40s and 45s teams for 2020/21."

Manager Jimmy Blackie added: "We are looking forward to the new season at Jenner Park with real enthusiasm and hope to maintain our impressive record."

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Steve is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until his service at All Saints Church, Barry on Friday, 11th October at 12:45pm, followed by interment at Merthyr Dyfan Cemetery, Barry.

Family floral tributes only. Donations, if desired, may be made at the service to support The Epilepsy Society in memory of Steve.

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SAUNDERS
Mary Theresa
(*née* Fitzgerald)

Peacefully on 23rd September 2019, Mary, aged 80 years. Beloved wife of the late Gordon, much loved mum of Steven, Lyndon, Fran and Rachel. Mother-in-law of Ray and Mac, cherished nan and great nan. Also a loved sister of Ellen and John.

Mary will be sadly missed by all her and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service in the Chapel of Rest on Monday, 7th October at 11am, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery.

Family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if so desired, for Noah's Ark c/o the funeral director.

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PUGH
Charles David (Charlie)

Peacefully in his 95th year on 23rd September 2019 at Springbank Nursing Home, beloved husband of the late Daisy. Loved father of Sandra and Alan, father-in-law to Dave and Sue. Loving grandfather of Darren and Vicki and his great grandchildren Luca, Sofia and Emily.

Charlie will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

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POWELL
Clive (Ding)

Passed away suddenly and tragically on 21st September 2019 at home with his family by his side. Dearly loved husband and soul mate to Janine. Incredible dad to Shauna, Georgia, Gav and Harry the dog. Adored son of Jean and Keith and brother to Spock. Loved son-in-law to Wynette and Des and brother-in-law to Lana, Steve and Sue. Fun loving uncle to Connor, Cadie and Casey-Mae.

Taken from us too soon, Clive will be very sadly missed by all his family and friends.

He will live on forever in our hearts.

Clive is resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare until his funeral service on Thursday, 10th October at 1.15pm at Coychurch Crematorium.

Family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if desired, in memory of Clive can be made to the NSPCC.

The family ask that bright colours be worn to reflect Clive's personality. No black please.

Family Notices

MARKE
Berly
(*née* Thomas/Forster)

Died 21st September 2019. Formerly of Mount Pleasant Farm, Cowbridge and Splott Farm, St. Donats. Loved mother of Sarah and Rebecca, mother-in-law of Joe and Phill. Mum got tired and left us to join her past family and friends.

Funeral service to be held on Wednesday, 9th October 2019 at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry at 12 noon.

Family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if desired, would be gratefully received by The Alzheimer's Society and The British Heart Foundation.

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SHORE
Lilian

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KEAR
Douglas Raymond

1934 - 2019

On Wednesday, 25th September, after a long illness, Doug died at home in Rhoose with his loving family around him. He is survived by his adored wife Pauline, their lovely children Joanna, Juliet and Gareth, their treasured grandchildren Kate, Amy, Emma, Sarah, Robert, Amber and Kallum and their eight beautiful great grandchildren.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fonmon. Funeral Thursday, 10th October, service and cremation 1pm at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry.

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JENKINS
Kim Louise

Aged 61 years of Cowbridge, sadly passed away on Thursday 12th September 2019. Kim was the loving wife of Mr Steve Jenkins for 39 years and a cherished mother of Sarah and Rebecca.

Kim will leave many happy memories and will be missed by all her family and friends.

Resting at Pontyclun Funeral Services until the Funeral on Wednesday, 9th October 2019 service at the Holy Cross Church, Cowbridge at 11.45am, followed by committal at Coychurch Crematorium, Bridgend at 1.15pm.

The family would welcome meeting you at the Bear Hotel, Cowbridge at 2:30pm for refreshments and to reminisce about the happy times shared with Kim.

If attending the service, please wear bright colours in celebration of Kim's life.

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HEAVEN
Hugh Frederick

Born on 6th October 1944, son of Harry and Dorothea (newsagents, Pyle), passed away on 6th September 2019 at home in Sutton Coldfield. Dearly loved husband of Barbara, father of Tom and John, grandfather of Evan.

SYDENHAM
Clive Malcolm

Passed away peacefully on 27th September 2019. Beloved husband to Annie, and a much loved father and grandfather.

Funeral service to be held on Thursday, 10th October 2019 at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry CF62 9PX at 12 noon.

No flowers please but donations would be welcomed for the Marie Curie Hospice (Penarth) online at www.clive-sydenham.muchloved.com or via the Funeral Director. All enquires to Parkman Funeral Home, 19, Camms Corner, Dinas Powys, CF64 4QY. Tel 02922 362101.

RICHARDS
Michael Arthur

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Mike will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium on Tuesday, 8th October at 3pm.

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BREWER
Jack

Peacefully on Friday, 27th September at Milsom House Nursing Home, St Athan. Devoted husband of the late Irene, loving father of Martin, Janice, Carole and the late Jean. Dear father-in-law and much loved grandfather and great-grandfather.

Jack will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

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Douglas

The family of the late Douglas Hobday would like to thank family, friends and neighbours for their cards, flowers, kind words and support at this sad time.

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Margaret Jane

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7th October 2017

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With much love from Mum & Dad, Nathan, Hannah, Libby, Eloise & Edward. Tristan, Ning, Vincent, Talia, Sebastian & Benedict. Jotham, Helene & Balin xxx

Birthdays

Daisy Connolly
Happy 18th Birthday
on 1st October
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Public Notice

WILLIAM COULING (Deceased)

Pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 any persons having a claim against or an interest in the Estate of the aforementioned deceased, late of 26 Gwenfo Drive Wenvoe Vale of Glamorgan CF5 6BR, who died on 18/02/2019, are required to send particulars thereof in writing to the undersigned Solicitors on or before 13/12/2019, after which date the Estate will be distributed having regard only to claims and interests of which they have had notice.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
LICENSING ACT 2003

To whom it may concern,
We, **Ten Eleven Bar Limited** do hereby give notice that we have applied to The Licensing Authority (Vale of Glamorgan Council) for the variation of a premies licence at **10 Broad Street, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan, CF62 7AA** known as **TEN11.**

The Application is to vary the Licence.

1. To include the first floor lounge area, which includes a bar, live music area, indoor games room and new outdoor terrace and smoking area at the rear of the first-floor area.

2. To extend the present hours of opening, to apply to both the ground and first floor areas.

Monday to Wednesday 12:00 - 00:30, Thursday to Sunday 12:00 - 04:00, Xmas Eve and Xmas Day 12:00 - 01:00, Boxing Day and New Year's Day 12:00 - 03:30

3. To extend the present hours for the retail sale of alcohol and regulated entertainment on both the ground and first floor areas to terminate 30 minutes before closing.

Any person(s) wishing to make representations to this application may do so in writing to the **Licensing Department, Vale of Glamorgan Council, Civic Offices, Holton Road, Barry, CF63 4RU**, not later than 28 days after the date of this notice. Representation received after this date will not be considered.

A copy of the Application can be viewed at the Civic Offices during normal office hours.

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make false statements in connection with this application, the maximum fine on summary conviction being £5,000.

Signed: **L J McGowan**
Date: **25/09/2019**

LICENSING ACT 2003
Section 34
Application to Vary a Premises Licence
NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT
An application has been made to Bridgend County Borough Council (the Licensing Authority) for a

VARIATION TO THE PREMISES LICENCE
in respect of the premises shown below.

Details of the application may be inspected between the hours of: Monday to Thursday 0830 to 1700 hours and Friday 0830 to 1630 hours at Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB or by visiting the authority's website: www.bridgend.gov.uk.

Any responsible authority or any other person may make representations in respect of the application, which must be submitted, in writing, to the following address before the date shown below:-
Licensing Section, Bridgend County Borough Council, Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend, CF31 4WB

NAME OF APPLICANT: David & Ellen Baker
NAME AND POSTAL ADDRESS OF THE PREMISES:
The Walnut Tree, 110 Pisgah Street, Kenfig Hill, Bridgend, CF33 6DA.
DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED VARIATION (1)
To include the function room, no change to hours.
DATE BY WHICH REPRESENTATIONS MUST BE MADE:
14th October 2019.
This notice remains in force from and including the day after the giving of this notice to the licensing authority, namely 16th September 2019, for 28 consecutive days.
It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application. The maximum fine on summary conviction is unlimited.
(1) This must include details of change to the activities and appropriate days and times.

Llantwit Major play last match of the season

LLANTWIT Major Bowls Club travelled to Millwood Bowls Club to play their last match of the season.

The weather on the day was glorious, with full sunshine, warm and windless and a team of 12 men and four ladies were looking forward to a good afternoon of bowls.

Rink one was skipped Graham Merchant with support from Ian Williamson, Tom Tait and Pat Twomey, and they all played very well, gradually pulling ahead and finally winning their match 22 to 14 shots.

Rink 2 was skipped by Carol Willmot with Jenny Young, Ros Martin Jones and Linda Bailey, and were unlucky to lose their fifth end by 6 shots, never fully recovering and losing their match overall by 13 to 27 shots.

Rink 3 was skipped by Colin Ashdown supported by Lin Fry, Richard Baylis and Stuart Comer. They had a close game but after the sixth end, gradually pulled away and won their match by 19 to 14 shots.

Rink four was skipped by Geoff Timms, assisted by John Bailey, Andy Vincent and Mike Everleigh. They were never ahead and looked like losing until the 20th end when the score was 16 to 15 to Millwood. However, on the 21st and last end, Llantwit managed to win by 5 shots, ensuring a win by 20 to 16 shots, and the overall game total was won by just three shots.

After the match, Llantwit were treated to an excellent tea with good banter around the table, and the club would like to thank the members of Millwood for their warm welcome and hospitality. The teams wished each other good health and good luck in their winter indoor fixtures and looked forward to seeing each other for next year's summer fixtures – and maybe repeating the end of season game.

If you would like to try bowls, the pavilion is open from early October, Monday to Thursday (2pm to 4pm) for indoor carpet bowls during the winter.

Contact us through the *www.lmbc.wales* or come along to the club for a cup of tea and see if you would like to take up this sport.

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Barry Chess Club latest

THIS week the Barry Chess Club had two league matches at home.

The Camelots faced the Caerphilly Knights in division 2 and the Stauntons faced Rhondda B in division 4. The two teams have made different starts to the season and this is reflected in the results.

The Camelots recorded a maximum with all five players: Matthew Davies, Steve Cunliffe, Dave Parsons, Tom and Mark Cooke earned victories. This result has moved the Camelots to the top of the table and at this early stage of the season we have a 1.5 point lead over fellow relegated team the Cardiff AJs.

In division 4 the Stauntons were well beaten by the Rhondda B team. Erion Pici picked up our only point as we lost 4-1. We sit in seventh place at the moment: spare a thought for the youngsters playing for the N Cardiff Penguins, who sit bottom of the table after two successive 5-0 drubbings.

In the Alec Wood Trophy there is better news for the Stauntons players as Ken Curry tops the table with a ratings increase of 72 since July 1, mainly from his great results over the summer period. In second place only three points behind is Erion Pici thanks to good performances in the Barry Chess Club Championships and two wins in the league. Sam White, Matthew Davies and Peter Watkins all also feature in the 'top 40'.

The Barry Chess Club meets at 7:30pm most Mondays excluding Bank Holidays at the West End Club, St Nicholas Road, Barry, CF62 6QY. The club is open to players of all standards; whether you are interested in playing competitive chess or just the occasional friendly games.

New players are very welcome to just turn up on the night but it is better to contact one of the club members through the website first so that we can explain what is happening on the night you have in mind, and arrange for someone to greet you on your arrival. For more details visit our website at barrychessclub.yolasite.com.

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Public Notice

GORCHYMYN CYNGOR BRO MORGANNWG
(B4055 CARDIFF ROAD (RHAN), DINAS POWYS)
(CYFYNGIAD CYFLYMDER 40 MYA) 2019

1. Hysbysir drwy hyn fod Cyngor Bro Morgannwg wrth arfer ei bwerau dan Adrannau 1, 2 a 84 Deddf Rheoleiddio Traffig Ffyrdd 1984 (fel y'i diwygiwyd) a'r holl bwerau galluogi eraill, yn bwriadu gwneud Gorchymyn a fydd yn gorfodi'r hyn a ddisgrifir yn yr Atodlenni isod:
2. Gellir archwilio manylion llawn y cynigion, i gynnwys y Gorchymyn arfaethedig a'r Cynllun

   Rhif: T/19/62/AA, yn y cyfeiriad a nodir isod yn ystod oriau swyddfa arferol.
3. Rhaid i chi gyflwyno unrhyw wrthwynebiad sydd gennych i'r cynnig hwn i Gyfarwyddwr yr Amgylchedd a Thai (Cyf: IF892) yn ysgrifenedig erbyn 25 Hydref 2019 a rhaid i chi gynnwys eich rhesymau dros wrthwynebu.
4. Rhoddir gwybod i unrhyw un sy'n gwrthwynebu'r Gorchymyn arfaethedig, yn unol â Deddf Llywodraeth Leol (Mynediad at Wybodaeth) 1985, bod rhwymedigaeth gyfreithiol ar y Cyngor hwn i alluogi'r cyhoedd i archwilio unrhyw sylwadau a ddaw i law am y Gorchymyn a gynigir.

ATODLEN 1

Ni chaiff unrhyw berson achosi neu alluogi cerbyd i deithio'n gyflymach na 40 m.y.a. yn y lleoliad a nodir yn Atodlen 2 isod.

ATODLEN 2

Cyfyngiad cyflymder 40mya arfaethedig (I'w Nodi ar Fap Cyf AS57, AS58, AR58, AQ58, AP58)
A4055 (rhan) - Cardiff Road, Dinas Powys
(Rhwng Green Lane a'r Gylchfan sy'n gwasanaethu'r A4231 a'r B4267 a elwir hefyd cylchfan Biglis)

O ochr orllewinol Cylchfan Biglis o'r gyffordd â Cardiff Road, Y Barri (yn gyfagos â chyfyngiad cyflymder 40mya presennol Gorchymyn Rheoleiddio Traffig Cyf 515) gan gynnwys y System Gylchu i'r gogledd-ddwyrain am 1150 metr sy'n cysylltu â'r cyfyngiad 30mya presennol wrth ddod i mewn i Dinas Powys.

Dyddiedig 3 Hydref 2019.
Cyfarwyddwr yr Amgylchedd a Thai
Cyngor Bro Morgannwg, The Alps, Gwenfô CF5 6AA

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL
(B4055 CARDIFF ROAD (PART), DINAS POWYS)
(40 MPH SPEED RESTRICTION) ORDER 2019

1. Notice is given that the Vale of Glamorgan Council in exercise of its powers under Sections 1, 2 & 84 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended) and of all other enabling powers proposes to make an Order the general effect of which is as described in the Schedules below.
2. Full details of the proposals, to include a copy of the proposed Order, and Plan No: T/19/62/AA may be inspected at the address shown below during normal office hours.
3. Any objection you may have to this proposal must be submitted to the Director of Environment & Housing (Ref: IF892) in writing by 25th October 2019 and must contain the grounds upon which you object.
4. Persons objecting to the proposed Order are advised that in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 this Council is legally obliged to make any comments received in response to the proposed order open to public inspection.

SCHEDULE 1

No person shall cause or permit a vehicle to proceed at a speed greater than 40 miles per hour in the location specified in Schedule 2 below.

SCHEDULE 2

Proposed 40mph speed limit (Insert in Map Ref AS57, AS58, AR58, AQ58, AP58)A4055 (part) - Cardiff Road, Dinas Powys
(Between Green Lane and the Roundabout that serves the A4231 and the B4267 also locally known as Biglis roundabout)

From the west side of Biglis Roundabout from its junction with Cardiff Road, Barry (contiguous with the existing 40 mph speed restriction Traffic Regulation Order Ref 515) including the Gyratory in a generally north-easterly direction for a distance of 1150 metres linking to the existing 30mph restriction entering Dinas Powys.

Dated this 3rd day of October 2019
Director of Environment & Housing
Vale of Glamorgan Council, The Alps, Wenvoe, CF5 6AA.

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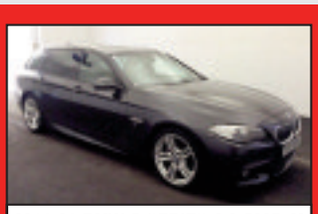

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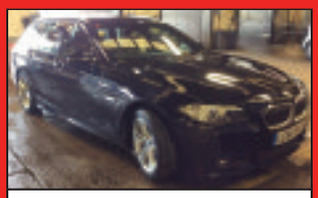

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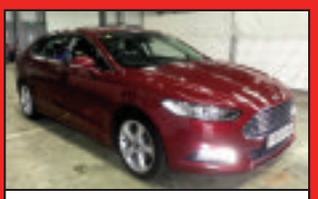

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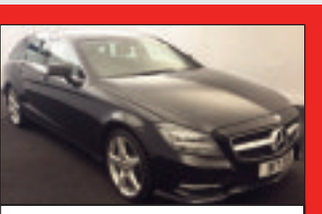

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16 66 BMW 118 D Sport 5dr, sat nav, 17"alloys, comfort pack, 30k, black £11495

16 66 BMW 118 I M Sport 5dr, sat nav, 18"alloys, 25k, estoril blue £13995

16 16 BMW 120 D Sport 5dr, sat nav, 17"alloys, privacy glass, heated seats, blue £11795

16 66 BMW 216 DSE Active Tourer 5dr, sat nav, Bluetooth, pdc, 36k, met blue £10995

16 65 BMW 218 D Sport Active Tourer 5dr, sat nav, cruise, heated seats, 20k, met red £10795

16 65 BMW 218 I T Sport Gran Tourer 5dr (7-Seater), sat nav, 17"alloys, 20k, met red £13795

16 66 BMW 218 I M Sport 2dr Coupe, sat nav, reverse camera, grey £13495

17 67 BMW 218 I M Sport Coupe, sat nav, 18"alloys, pdc, Bluetooth, 7k, black £16995

15 15 BMW 220 D M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, sat nav, m sport plus pack, 39k, blue, full leather £14995

16 65 BMW 318 D Sport 4dr, sat nav, 18" M sport alloys, dab, cruise, blue £11995

16 16 BMW 318 D M Sport 4dr, heated seats, 19"alloys, sat nav, 30k, grey, full leather £15495

16 66 BMW 320 D ED Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Jan 2020, sat nav, heated seats, grey, full leather £14295

16 66 BMW 320 D ED Sport Estate Automatic, BMW warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, heated seats, grey, full leather £11995

16 66 BMW 320 D M Sport Estate Automatic, heated seats, 19"alloys, grey, full leather £16995

16 66 BMW 330 D M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Dec 2019, sat nav, Harman kardon, 18"alloys, 32k, grey. £18995

17 67 BMW 330 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Nov 2020, pro media - sat nav, m sport + pack, head up display, 14k, met grey, full oyster leather £22995

16 16 BMW 335 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic (310bhp), sat nav, privacy glass, 30k, grey, full leather £18995

17 17 BMW 335 D XDrive M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty July 2020, 19"alloys, m sport + pack, xenons, blue £20995

16 16 BMW 430i M Sport 2dr Automatic (252bhp), M sport plus pack, 19" alloys, Harman Kardon, wide screen sat nav, met grey, full leather £18495

16 16 BMW 418 D Sport 2dr, BMW warranty March 2019, business media sat nav, dab, heated seats, 31k, black, full leather £14995

15 15 BMW 420 D Sport Convertible, 19"alloys, comfort pack, 30k, black, full leather £16995

15 65 BMW 420 DXDrive Luxury 2dr Coupe Automatic, sat nav, heated seats, 39k, grey, full leather £15795

15 65 BMW 420 D XDrive M Sport Coupe Automatic, sat nav, 16k, blue, full leather £18495

16 16 BMW 420 D XDrive M Sport Coupe Automatic, sat nav, reverse camera, m sport plus pack, 20k, red, full leather £19495

16 16 BMW 420 D M Sport Convertible Automatic, m sport plus pack, reverse camera, 16k, choice, full leather £20795

16 66 BMW 420 D M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, sat nav, 19"alloys, privacy glass, 25k, grey, full leather £18995

17 66 BMW 420 DSE Gran Coupe 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty March 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 27k, black, full leather £16995

17 17 BMW 420 I M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, BMW warranty Aug 2020, pro media sat nav, Bluetooth, 29k, grey, full leather £18495

17 17 BMW 420 I XDrive Sport Gran Coupe 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty Sept 2020, sat nav, 25k, grey, full leather £18995

17 67 BMW 420 D Sport Gran Coupe 5dr (190bhp), BMW warranty Sept 2020, sat nav, 20k, black, full leather £18995

16 16 BMW 430i M Sport 2dr Automatic (252bhp), M sport plus pack, 19" alloys, Harman Kardon, wide screen sat nav, met grey, full leather £18495

16 16 BMW 430 D M Sport 2dr Coupe Automatic, pro sat nav, xenons, 30k, choice, full leather £18995

16 66 BMW 430 D M Sport 2dr Convertible Automatic, m sport plus pack, sat nav, 37k, grey, full leather £22995

16 16 BMW 435 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Gran Coupe Automatic, m sport plus pack, sat nav, 36k, white, full leather £23995

15 15 BMW 435 I M Sport Convertible Automatic, m sport plus pack, head up display, 19"alloys, black, full leather £22995

15 15 BMW 520 D SE 4dr Automatic, sat nav, xenons, heated seats, white, full leather £10995

15 65 BMW 520 DSE 4dr Automatic, electric glass sunroof, privacy glass, sat nav, white, full leather £13495

16 16 BMW 520 D M Sport 4dr Automatic, sat nav, m sport plus pack, 26k, choice, full leather, from £16495

16 16 BMW 520 D M Sport Estate Automatic (190BHP), 19"alloys, Harman kardon, sat nav, white, full leather £14995

16 66 BMW 520 D M Sport 4dr, pro media – sat nav, reverse camera, privacy glass, 27k, black, full leather £16995

16 66 BMW 520 D M Sport Estate Automatic 190bhp, sat nav, 33k, black, full leather £17995

17 67 BMW 520 D M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty Oct 2020, sat nav, heated seats, grey, full leather £21995

18 18 BMW 530 E SE 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty March 2021, sat nav, Harman kardon, reverse camera, black, full leather £23495

18 18 BMW 530 E I Performance M Sport 4dr Automatic, BMW warranty June 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, dab, 11k, blue, full leather £26995

16 66 BMW 640 D M Sport 2dr Convertible Automatic, sat nav, 20"alloys, m sport + pack, beige soft top, 27k, white, full leather £26995

17 66 BMW i3 94AH with Range Extender 5dr, BMW warranty Jan 2020, pro media – sat nav, 19"alloys, 16k, blue, full leather £21995

15 65 BMW X1 D XDrive X-Line 5dr Automatic, sat nav, 18"alloys, 32k, bronze, full leather £17995

18 18 BMW X2 2.0 SDrive I M Sport 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty June 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, pdc, 23k, blue £23995

18 68 BMW X2 2.0 I M Sport X 5dr Automatic, BMW warranty Jan 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, service pack, only 2k, black £26995

15 15 BMW X4 3.0 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Automatic, 20"Alloys, head up display, reverse camera, 20k, white, full leather £23495

16 66 BMW X4 D XDrive M Sport 5dr Automatic, m sport plus pack, sat nav, pdc, black, full leather £22995

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17 67 MINI COOPER 2.0 S Seven 5dr (192bhp), Mini warranty Oct 2020, chilli pack, sat nav, cruise, 9k, 11k, white £13995

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16 66 MINI COOPER 1.5 D 3dr, pan roof, sat nav, chilli pack, 16k, white, half-leather £11495

16 66 MINI COOPER 2.0 SD 5dr (170bhp), Mini warranty Nov 2019, cruise, Bluetooth, dab, 11k, white £10995

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16 16 MINI CLUBMAN 1.5 6dr Estate, sat nav, chilli + tlc pack, 33k, black, half-leather £10795

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16 16 HYUNDAI i30 1.6 CRDI BlueDrive Premium 5dr, Hyundai warranty June 2021, sat nav, 27k, choice, full leather £9495
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18 68 KIA CEED 1.4 T GDI ISG Blue Edition 5dr, Kia warranty Dec 20025, sat nav, reverse camera, 8k, blue £15995
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18 18 KIA SORENTO 2.2 CRDI KX-3 5dr (7-Seater), KIA warranty June 2025, sat nav, pan roof, reverse camera, 8k, black, full leather.....£26995
16 16 KIA SPORTAGE 1.6 T GDI GT-Line AWD 5dr (175bhp), Kia warranty Aug 2023, sat nav, 19"alloys, full leather, 28k, met red....£14295
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16 66 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRDI First Edition 5dr Automatic 4WD, Kia warranty Sept 2023, sat nav, sunroof, 24k, white, full leather....£17495
17 17 KIA SPORTAGE 2.0 CRDI KX-4 AWD 5dr, pan roof, sat nav, cruise, reverse camera, 23k, choice, full leather £15995
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17 17 MERCEDES A180 D Sport Executive 5dr 7G-DCT Automatic, Mercedes warranty July 2020, sat nav, reverse camera, 13k, black, full leather £14995
15 15 MERCEDES C200 AMG Line 4dr, sat nav, heated seats, white, full leather £15495
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17 17 RENAULT KADJAR 1.2 TCE Dynamique S Nav 5dr, Renault warranty April 2021, sat nav, 19"alloys, cruise, Bluetooth, 16k, red, half-leather £12495
16 66 RENAULT MEGANE 1.6 DCI Dynamique Nav 5dr (Facelift), Renault warranty Nov 2020, sat nav, cruise, 25k, blue....£9995
18 18 SEAT LEON 1.2 TSI SE Dynamic Technology 5dr, Seat warranty until April 2021, sat nav, cruise, 13k, silver....£10995
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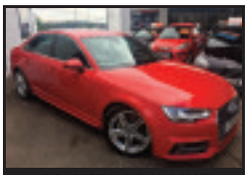

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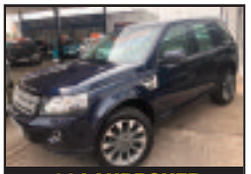

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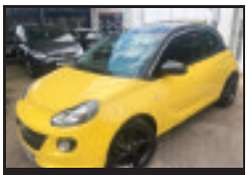

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Vale of Glam Football League latest

THERE were plenty of thrills and spills in the Vale Football League – and plenty of goals – over the weekend.

We have new leaders of the Premier Division, as St Athan took full advantage of Island Marine not playing to replace them at the top.

This came courtesy of a hard fought 3-2 victory over Tynewydd at the Buttrills, Denver Salisbury getting the winner for St Athan.

AFC Rhoose moved second with their first league win of September as they saw off Cowbridge Town 4-2 in impressive fashion.

Cadoxton Imps moved third to complete a new look top three, as they edged Penarth Town 3-2, the fourth time they have won by that scoreline in the league this season. Cleary, Powell and Parry bagged the goals for the Imps.

Cogan Coronation picked up a second successive win with a comprehensive 5-1 triumph over Cardiff Airport, a third straight loss for Airport.

In Division One, league leaders AFC Rhoose B continued their good form with a 2-1 win away to Vale Madrid in a tough encounter.

Rhoose B are now five points clear at the top as Cadoxton Barry were held 3-3 by Rhoose Social, Social coming back from three goals down for an impressive point.

Barry Vikings put on a fine display at Maslin Park, coming out 6-2 winners over Island Marine B to go third.

Barry Athletic B picked up their second league win of the campaign with a 5-3 win over Cwm Talwg, to move up a place to 10th.

And finally, SP Billy picked up their first point of the season in thrilling 3-3 draw with St Athan B.

Another great weekend of action in the Vale league, we return next weekend with another entertaining program of fixtures.

HD

Llantwit's pace and power all too much for Tonyrefail

LLANTWIT Major RFC made the relatively short trip to Tonyrefail to in the league and won in some style racking up nine tries in a 7-61 win.

The game was a tight affair right up to the break despite a 7-21 scoreline.

The teams kicked off in the forecast monsoon conditions and it was the home side that settled into the game the quicker as a rampaging pack with several heavy runners soon had Llantwit under pressure and Tonyrefail scored first from a driving maul, and then converted.

And it was the same again for most of the first quarter as a determined home side battered Llantwit but the defence held, with the back row particular putting in a big shift. Cruelly for the home side, Llantwit scored against the run of play from their own 22. Fullback Josh Austin seized a loose kick, spotted a gap and weaved his way up the touchline before combining with his brother, centre Jack. They exchanged passes and the move was finished by wing Joel Thomas, who just had enough gas to out sprint the cover. Outside-half Howley added the conversion to bring the scores level.

The next period saw a bit of an arm wrestle in the centre of the pitch as both packs competed for territory and it was the Llantwit eight who were starting to turn the screw, particularly in the scrum. Llantwit were keen to get their midfield into the game and this tactic was rewarded when the backs made ground and the loose forwards were on hand to keep the ball alive. Desperate Tonyrefail tackling wasn't enough to stop number eight Stuart Edbrooke from racing clear for another converted try.

Just before the half time whistle Josh Austin crossed again to mark a fine first half for the full back.

It was bizarrely the half time break which broke the game as a competitive encounter. Llantwit expected Tonyrefail to come hammering back at them but Llantwit's dominant scrum had been taken its toll on the home side and they informed the match official at half time that due to having now used all their front row replacements they would have to start the second half with un-contested scrums and therefore play-out the rest of the game with only 14 players.

Llantwit responded by scoring straight from the restart as they seized on a loose kick in their opponents' 22 and, after a few surges by the loose forwards, it was left to prop Dave Taylor to drive over from less than a metre out. And of course in fine prop tradition that metre would grow and grow during the post match debrief!

The writing was now on the wall for the home side with a 7-28 lead and it was inevitable that Llantwit were going to run everything from here on in. But Tonyrefail are a proud and strong bunch and to their credit they battled back into the game for long periods. Any loose ball was seized on by the visitors, none more so than by centre Rhys Balmont who crossed twice in succession. For the first, he read a defensive kick from behind the try line perfectly to charge it down and pounce on the loose ball. The second was a lovely example of quick feet, leaving his defenders floundering as he raced through from 20 metres out.

By now Tonyrefail were out on their fee. A driving maul from a line out allowed hooker Huw Williams to cross for the eighth try before a late try made it nine.

Man of the match was scrum half Ryan Evans, who was at the centre of all the Llantwit action. Further mention goes to fullback Josh Austin and young Connor Treadgold who stepped up from the youth side with a solid performance in the second row. Loz Howley had a fine game, especially with the boot, converting eight out of the nine tries, most from distance. This was a good win then for the Llantonians and because they know that plenty of teams will visit Tonyrefail this season and not pick up any point. The team realise it's a long season ahead and they face a formidable foe in their next game as they welcome Wattstown to the Recreation Ground this week, kick off 2.30pm. You always know what you get with this team from the Rhondda – hard, uncompromising rugby, and there have been some right battles between the two over last few seasons.

AH

Barry Skittles League latest

THE latest results from the Barry and District Ladies Skittles League are as follows:

September 16: *Division 4*: Witches 216 (V Walters 23) v Down Town Gals 164 (T Mills and R Webber 19); Bimbo's 259 (S Harding 29) v Nite Outers 216 (K Blackmore 25); Witchill Wanderers 301 (V Kerslake and S Reynolds 30) v Optimists 279 (K Gillard 31).

September 23: *Division 1*: Challengers 271 (J Dimond 28) v Allsorts 267 (C Newel 32); Space Finders 346 (E Worthy 39) v Special Angels 267 (L Brigham 31); Family and Friends 230 (J Compton 27) v Coppers 232 (D Nesbitt 24); Cadoxton Con Fillies 222 (L Harris 25) v Sea View Gals 252 (S Phillips 29); Pila Pala 262 (S Potter 26) v Barry Stars 238 (W Phillips, S Ross, L Lambeth and C Lambeth 22). *Division 2:* Family Affair 255 (S Willson 29) v Persuaders 218 (N Haynes 25); Etcetera 228 (C Williams and C Stillman 27); v Rhoose Starlights 184 (D Stradling 23); Witchill Weebies 304 (R Royal 33) v Fallen Angels 315 (V Watkins 34); Rugby Triers 230 (D Shering 24) v Colcot Ladies 211 (A Singleton 27).

Division 3: Dolly Mixtures 208 (G Birdie, T Roswell and C Abbot 21) v Hillbillies 212 (G Moorcroft 26); Westenders 242 (M Condon, B Goddard and T Stait 27) v Livin' on a Spare 271 (I Overton 31); Airways Angels 249 (E Jones 29) v Sea View Ladies 252 (L McGivern 28); Off the Rails 236 (J Simms 26) v Witchill Widows 217 (N Barnfield 24); Boozy Birds 312 (J Ladner 31) v Vixens 307 (L Sheppard 33). *Division 4:* Rebels 262 (R Sutton 27) v Socialites 203 (S Marks 26); Drifters 234 (M McCarthy 24) v Merry Makers 210 (J Collins 26); Down Town Gals 237 (J Hawxwell 25) v Aristocats 238 (M Rogers 28); Nite Outers 207 (L White 24) v Witches 221 (M Allen 24); Twilights 218 (S Davis and A Campbell 23) v Bimbos 232 (S Harding 25); Westend Rollers 206 (T Ceriani 28) v Witchill Wanderers 169 (C Morrissey 26). The next secretaries' meeting is on October 7 at the Cadoxton Conservative Club at 8pm.

HB

The Barry and District Men's Skittles League

THE latest results from the Barry and District Men's Skittles League are as follows:

Division 1: Billy Whizz 280 (S Coombs, K Sansome, J Palmer, S Davies 25), Park Lads 262 (D Summerell 28); Blue Monkey 285 (C Bruce, D Such, N Stokes 27), Posties 257 (D Ball 31); Cavaliers 295 (M Ryan 32), Bunker Boys 291 (K Jeynes 30); Sea View 339 (K Pycroft 41), Geest 353 (D Ashill 35); Willie Wombles 296 (D Richardson 31), British Rail 294 (D Slugg 30); 49ers 285 (M Pope 31), Merrymen 275 (A Buckland 29).

League: 49ers 8; Willie Wombles 8; Merrymen 6; Blue Monkey 4; Bunker Boys 4; Billy Whizz 4; Park Lads 4; Cavaliers 4; Geest 2; British Rail 2; Sea View 2; Posties 0.

Division 2: Cannon Balls 279 (T Price Snr, S Pike, L Newland 26), Park Rangers 279 (P Thomas, J Dimond 27); Barry Park B 255 (S Price 30), H Bells 262 (M Ling 28); Hairy Lemons 248 (D Phillips 26), Castle Boys 262 (G Morris 30); Colcot Boys 247 (B Mathews 25), Mighty Dockers 251 (M Norris 25); KP Rejects 359 (M Alaoui 36), Witchill Poachers 338 (A Butler, M Copp 34); Exiles 266 (B Stait 26), Tynny Lads 271 (A Hillard 30).

League: Cannon Balls 7; H Bells 6; Tynny Lads 6; Mighty Dockers 6; Colcot Boys 4; KP Rejects 4; Park Rangers 3; Hairy Lemons 2; Witchill Poachers 2; Barry Park B 2; Exiles 2; Castle Boys 2.

Division 3: Abercrete 279 (J Newton 30), Cocoa Nuts 280 (T Clements 31); Royalists 303 (D Casado 33), BP Breakaways 296 (G Lewis, R Bowman 29); Billy Bluebirds 265 (R Ferguson 28), Ex Servicemen 263 (D Kuhnell 27); C.U.D. 238 (G Sheppard 25), Billy Flyers 278 (L Crump 27).

League: Billy Flyers 6; Billy Bluebirds 6; Ex Servicemen 4; Alternatives 4; BP Breakaways 3; C.U.D. 3; Cocoa Nuts 2; Royalists 2; Abercrete 0; Witchill Nomads 0.

View all results and league tables at *www.barryleagues.co.uk*

JW

Adam's 45-1 double at Worcester

ADAM Wedge, stable jockey to Llancarfan's Evan Williams, landed a 45-1 double at Worcester last Friday.

Adam won the Richard Wright Memorial Handicap Chase on the Kate Stephens trained *Royal Plaza* and later took the 7Bets4Free Novices' Hurdle on *Win My Wings,* trained by Christian Williams at Ogmore-by- Sea.

Royal Plaza, a 4-1 chance, won by three parts of a length from *Malangen*, and 8-1 shot *Win My Wings* scored by six lengths from *Larkbarrow Lad*. Ebbw Vale's Dai Burchell took the Conditional Jockeys' Handicap Hurdle with his *King Alfonso* who under west Wales's Ben Jones – son of legendary point-to-point rider Dai Jones- had eight lengths to spare over *Youvebrokenmydream*. *King Alfonso* was returned the 7-2 favourite in a field of 10 runners.

Brian Lee

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Brynhill GC ladies defy the dreadful autumn weather

RECENTLY, the lady golfers of Brynhill braved horrendous weather to play in the 'Funny Hats At Home' competition.

The ladies turned out with some weird and wonderful hats; with the wind howling and the rain trying its best, the ladies were not deterred. Jo, the ladies' captain, led 28 out on to the course for 18 holes of golf, playing six holes greensome, six holes bloodsomes and six holes foursomes.

The ladies arrived back at the clubhouse many hours later, wet and cold. After changing and with hot drinks waiting for them, the Brynhill ladies said they enjoyed the day. The vice captain Lisa Taylor had worked very hard formulating a testing but enjoyable quiz. Jo had organised some beautiful candle hamper prizes from Butterflies in High Street.

The winner of the quiz was Jan Robertson. Nearest the line winner was Chris Hopkins. The winners with most points on par 3s were Lynda Lloyd and Judy Davies and the best hat winner was Julie Harkin.

The main competition prizes were: Third, Jan Robertson and Jen Pugh with 27 points; second, Lynda Lloyd and Judy Davies with 29, and in first place were Lisa Taylor and Glynis Gould with 33.

Afterwards, the ladies enjoyed a lovely carvery. For information on the club, go to *www.brynhillgolfclub.co.uk* or call 01446 720277.

JMK

Week two of the Vale of Glamorgan Pool League

THERE was not much joy for the home sides in the Vale of Glamorgan Pool League as week two saw perennial runners up Billy Whizz sharing the lead in the league table, after an 8-4 victory at the Baruc-Cue-Das.

Joining them at the top, are the Whitchill Wildcats who had an easy 9-3 victory at last week's leaders Rhoose Pot Jacks (Ceri Morris and Wayne Hobson both having 4 from 4).

In third place are the Coco Nuts who were flattered by their 9-3 away win against the Glenbrook Titans (Graham Avaient having 4 from 4 and Mike Dunn 3 from 3).

Close behind them are the Castle Dark Lords, who had a 7-5 victory against the Libs Rejects.

The remaining games were an 8-4 victory for the Vale Wanderers at Finnegans and a friendly but competitive 7-5 victory for the King William IV against the Rhoose Social Pocket Dynamos (Sean Kelly starring with 4 from 4), the match being decided by wins in both doubles in the final session.

Llantwit Reserves' come back win

LLANTWIT Major Reserves were 2-1 winners against Penybont, with a Stephen Phillips header and a Gethin Jennings tap in securing all three points.

It took just eight minutes for the first goal of the game, the Penybont midfielder shooting past the Llantwit keeper from outside the area.

The Major kept knocking on the door for the equaliser.

The front three of Morgan Gore, Stephen Phillips and Stuart Lindsay were all linking up well and having decent chances.

Finally, 15 minutes before half time it was a Aaron Wrigley cross which saw Phillips guide his header off the post to score his first of the season.

Llantwit, with their tails up, continued to create more chances as Leigh Pratt and Gethin Jennings had attempts without troubling the keeper.

The second half began with good intensity as Llantwit pinned the visitors back, with Lewis Brown the spark in midfield.

A double substitution saw Max Morgan and Ben Cripps replace Stephen Phillips and Morgan Gore. This change added energy to the team and but for some brilliant goal keeping, both substitutes could have been on the scoresheet.

It took 80 minutes for the winning goal, a Stuart Lindsay shot was saved and midfielder Jennings was quick to tap in the rebound.

The result makes it two out of two for Llantwit Major Reserves.

JT

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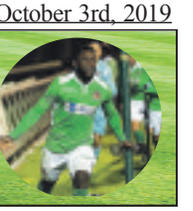

A big, big game for Rhys Patchell - despite his 'terrible tackling technique'

WHEN you reflect on a titanic struggle such as Wales v Australia last Sunday, perhaps its best to give credit where credit is due.

Credit to Wales, for a quality first 55 minutes, full of imagination and remarkably error free, and then a tremendous defensive display towards the end, which secured that 29–25 victory.

Credit to Australia, for their tactic of running almost everything. Coach Michael Cheika presumably calculated that his team would last the pace better - and he was almost right.

Finally, praise is due to the referee Romain Poite and TMO Ben Skeen, for not spoiling the spectacle with a host of yellow (or maybe even red) cards.

With refs under pressure to punish head high tackles, the Frenchman and the New Zealander had to wrestle with a number of tricky decisions, but they kept their nerve, and decided that none of them were absolutely crystal clear. They may take some flak, but the fact that this game stayed 15-a-side made it a great spectacle.

Don't get me wrong. As a Welsh fan it would have been good to see Aussie captain Michael Hooper pick up a card for a cheap shot on Dan Biggar, or the Aussie centre Kerevi (who had a storming game) get some time on the bench for leading with a forearm when charging into Rhys Patchell.

By the same token, though, Josh Adams could have suffered for a 'Reece Hodge' style tackle on the charging No 8 Naisarani.

In fact, Hooper was so agitated at the prospect of a card for Kerevi (I think he feared a red) that he memorably accused Patchell of causing it with his "terrible tackling technique" when making his case to M Poite!

This will be an issue where Welsh and Aussie fans are a touch short of common ground!

Again, with such a game, it is tempting to look for a crucial moment, but this game had too much incident.

Gareth Davies' interception is a prime contender, but it would have counted for nothing without the immense Welsh defence as fulltime loomed.

Dan Biggar's tackle on Kerevi, which saved a try but meant he had to be replaced by Patchell was a big moment too, even though it took place after 30 minutes or so.

Had Australia won, it might have been easier to identify a crucial moment. Certainly, Australia looked a different outfit when Matt To'omua came on. Coach Cheika had faith in Foley, but he is taking plenty of criticism for that decision. What can't be quantified, however, is the cumulative effect on Wales of Australia's constant running at them. Perhaps To'omua's entry into the game coincided with Wales getting a little tired.

So much incident, so many talking points. A conventional match report would go on and on and on, so let's conclude with a few observations.

Aaron Wainwright only made his debut for the Dragons two years ago, and my recollection is that he only made the Welsh team because of a crop of injuries. He had a stunning match, and seemed to be everywhere, even though Gatland clearly felt he had emptied the tank after 48 minutes, when he was replaced by Moriarty.

That said, you have to have huge admiration for the three Welsh giants - Tipuric, Navidi and (of course) Alun Wyn Jones - who played the entire match.

For Australia, Michael Hooper and David Pocock also played all the game, which tells you a lot about who the key players are.

From the Welsh point of view, it was a massive game for Patchell. Biggar is still in the driving seat but Wales need a confident Patchell on the bench, and that was by no means guaranteed as there has been a vociferous section of the Welsh fans who don't rate him.

His first act was a great pick up off his toes after a pass by Gareth Davies, and he followed that with two two fine penalty kicks. After that, he was pretty much faultless, until he missed a clearance kick to touch in the 79th minute.

For the record, for Wales there were tries for Parkes and Gareth Davies, a drop goal each for Biggar and Patchell, one conversion for each outside half, and three penalties for Patchell.

Australia scored tries through through the hyphens, Ashley-Cooper and Heylett-Petty, and through Hooper, a penalty from Foley, and a penalty and two conversions from To'omua.

Wales have 10 days to rest and recover, and Australia have only six, which will give them a chance to nurse their sense of grievance that all the officials are against them.

Having said that, they are unlikely to be extended by Uruguay.

Without counting chickens, it looks very likely that both will go through, with Wales top of the group.

Report by Philip Irwin

Athletic and Dunvant share the spoils in a close encounter

Athletic outside half Jonathan Phillips wins the race to touchdown v Dunvant. (Photograph by John Canon).

BRIDGEND Athletic and Dunvant fought out a 20–20 draw in a hard-fought Division One West Central encounter at Newbridge Fields.

Dunvant's taller and heavier forwards looked to impose themselves from the off and outside half Richard Wiliams kicked a second minute penalty after the Athletic were penalised for not releasing. On 10 minutes, they drove a maul deep into the Athletic 22 before releasing Williams to glide through a gap and cross under the posts. His conversion made it 10–0.

However, on the half hour Dunvant hooker Ceri Davies was yellow carded for illegally collapsing a maul as it approached the try line. With parity in weight, the Athletic went for a pushover try. Showing great ball control, No 8 Will Petchell kept the ball at the back and touched down as the scrum edged over the Dunvant line. Full back Jacob Lloyd converted.

Dunvant came back and a driving maul was halted on the try line, but Dunvant's flanker Adam Gregory picked up andwent under the posts. Back came the Athletic and a series of pick and goes resulted in a penalty, well kicked by Lloyd against the wind from 40 metres. Dunvant led 17-10 at the break.

Lloyd reduced the deficit to 17-13 with a penalty, but Dunvant's pack took control, and forced the Ath to defend their line until from a turnover deep inside the Athletic half, scrum half Robin Davies found outside half Jonathan Phillips. Phillips launched a high up and under which he contested, causing the Dunvant defender to lose possession. Showing great footballing skills, he dribbled for 40 metres, winning the touchdown under the posts. Lloyd's conversion saw the Athletic ahead for the first time in the game at 20-17. When Dunvant were again reduced to 14 it looked as though the Athletic would hold on but with three minutes remaining, they were penalised at a ruck 35 metres out and Dunvant full back Joe Packer stepped up to level the scores at 20-20.

The Athletic are grateful to their president Wayne Griffiths of Nathaniel cars for sponsoring the game. In the clubhouse Athletic No 8 Ben Davies was presented with the Nathaniel Cars Sales Player of the Month for September. Ben has played No 8, but also wing and centre to great effect covering injuries.

This Saturday, the Athletic visit newly-promoted Birchgrove. **AB**

Porthcawl are supreme against Ystradgynlais

IN a reversal of the scheduled league fixture, Ystradgynlais visited South Road with hopes high but they were on the receiving end of the Seaweeds' best performance of the season to date.

The score doesn't reflect the vigorous effort put in by the visitors early on, and it took fully 25 minutes of probing by Porthcawl before they opened the score-sheet with Josh White's 25-metre penalty for 3-nil.

Flanker Jake Furness was his usual workmanlike self and he duly provided a scoring pass for centre Will Robinson to score a good try five minutes later, with White converting for 10-0.

Flanker Louis Protheroe, having moved up to the First XV, showed hints back to the exploits of his dad Steve, as he crossed for another try to make it 15-nil at the break.

Wing Jake Thomas has been in fine form this season so far and he continued his try-scoring run, crossing for a super try in the corner. White's magnificent conversion made it 22-nil and the match was slipping away from the visitors with only 10 minutes of the second half gone.

Thomas repeated the feat minutes later for his second try, making it seven tries in three matches and with White's boot again adding the extras, at 29 without reply the result and bonus point was in the bag.

Skipper Leon McNally can always be relied on to produce a good performance and when he produced an audacious interception to slice clean through the middle from 40 metres to cross at the posts, with White again converting, the 36-nil score was no more than the Seaweeds' unrelenting pressure deserved.

Louis Protheroe was revelling in the role of being the newest of the back-row boys, by getting his brace try wide out with an outrageous dummy and again White's conversion was unerring as the score hit the final 43-nil mark.

Porthcawl also welcomed back Tom Butcher and Jack Hurry from injury and it was good to see Owen Thomas and Gareth Rees making their first starts of the campaign off the bench.

On Friday evening the Club welcomes World Cup Final Ref Derek Bevan and Wales and Lions back-rower Richard Webster for a Rugby World Cup evening before taking on Seven Sisters at South Road on Saturday, in search of a fourth consecutive victory. **PF**

Bridgend Bridge club latest news

THE latest results for Bridgend Bridge Club are as follows:

On September 25: First, Mike Best and David Birt; second, Norma and David Newman; third, David Bowen and David Crompton. The winners on handicap were Mike Best and David Birt.

On September 26: First, John and Christine Evans; second, Eileen Mahoney and Jeff Barnett; third, Maggie and Richard Ashpole. The winners on handicap were Frances Heslin and Dee Finch.

On September 27: First, Debbie and Simon Richards; second, John Beard and Glyn Williams; third, Jane Brook and Wendy Williams. The winners on handicap were Gareth Jenkins and Paul Lyne.

Regular club nights take place at 7pm on Wednesdays and Fridays at Nolton Church Hall. On Thursdays at 2pm there is a gentle bridge session when help is available with the bidding.

All sessions are played in a friendly manner, visitors and new members are always welcome.

A new course of bridge lessons have started on Monday afternoons from 3.15pm to 5.15pm and it's not too late to join the course.

For more information, contact Steve Burgoyne on 01656 661968 or email Steve at *steve@steve-burgoyne.plus.com*. **GJ**

Bonus point win gets Tondu back on track

TONDU started their game at home to Skewen on the front foot and were ahead after only four minutes.

From a lineout inside their opponents' 22, they set up a rolling maul which resulted in flanker Ben Thomas crashing over. Anthony Buselli landed a penalty for the visitors before a flowing move from the home side saw centre Matthew Davies jink over for a splendid try. Gareth Lindenburn was on target with his second conversion to put Tondu 14–3 in front.

Skewen though, had no intention of laying down and came back with a well-worked try of their own, when second row Chris Grimes crashed over, Buselli slotting the conversion to make it 14–10 at the interval.

Shortly after the restart, another lineout and another rolling maul saw the irrepressible second row Steffan Jones crash over under a mass of bodies for Tondu's third try.

That score gave Tondu the breathing space they required to see out their first win of the season, and from a scrum close to half way, they put together another flowing move, resulting in their smiling centre Sam Grabham sailing over for the game's final, but best try and a final score of 26–10.

This win will give Tondu confidence after two narrow defeats in their first two games, hopefully they can take that confidence into back to back games at Bonymaen, next Saturday in the league and the following week in the WRU Plate competition.

Report by Mike Sully